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Weather Forecast

Sunday — Light to moderate winds, fair and cool, becoming warmer in afternoon. Noon temperature today, 42.

3 Trains Bring 26 City Wounded, 10 Up-Island Men

VANCOUVER (CP)—Three trains carrying 147 soldiers for B.C. will arrive here Monday and Tuesday. All are classified as "medical walking" or "duty in Canada" and stretcher cases.

Following are included among arrivals:
Victoria: Capt. Noel Hall, Lieut. Earl Sheppard, Sgt. R. J. Bland, Cpl. L. E. Gibbons, Pte. D. C. Holden, Pte. E. F. Jagers, Pte. R. K. Lambier, Gnr. J. P. McAllan, Pte. R. E. Green, Pte. C. Labounty, Gnr. W. J. McGillivray, Cpl. H. C. Saunders, Pte. J. Sparrow, Lieut. John M. Hamilton, Lieut. James A. Lawson, Lieut. Malcolm K. Lorimer, Lieut. Mary Desiree Seal, Capt. Norman Spackman, Maj. John T. Williams, Ctn. R. C. Becker, Gnr. I. J. Boyko, Cpl. G. Gibson, Gnr. L. Godfrey, Pte. F. C. Gordon, Spr. R. Marshall, Sgt. H. McClelland.
Other arrivals: BQMS S. C. Breeden, Duncan; Tpr. J. T. Elliott, Duncan; Bdr. J. P. Johnston, Duncan; Tpr. T. E. Kirk, Port Alberni; Pte. O. L. McDonald, Cowichan; Pte. J. N. T. Parry, Duncan; Capt. J. E. Moore, Duncan; Cpl. W. J. H. Warren, Cumberland; Lieut. A. Dickinson and Pte. H. Scott, both of Nanaimo.

Snow Weight Caves in Baptist College Roof



Weight of snow caused the collapse of the 30-foot veranda in front of the Toronto Baptist college. The rending crash could be heard for several blocks. No one was injured.

Prime Minister of Egypt Killed During War Debate

Shot Rings Out While Premier Making Speech

CAIRO (Reuter)—Premier Ahmed Maher was shot and killed today after making a statement in Parliament which brought Egypt into the war against the Axis.
The debate on the war declaration was in full progress when a shot rang out and the Premier fell.
Egypt was among the countries which, according to a Turkish announcement Friday, had to declare war before March 1 in order to win a seat at the San Francisco security conference.

First Investitures On German Soil For Canadian Heroes

By DOUGLAS AMARON
WITH 1ST CANADIAN ARMY IN GERMANY (CP)—Field Marshal Montgomery visited Canadian formations today in a whirlwind tour marked by the first Canadian investitures on German soil in this war.
Riding in a jeep driven by Gen. Crerar, army commander, he stopped at each division and at corps and tactical army headquarters and pinned ribbons on soldiers who because of wounds or for other reasons were unable to attend previous investitures.
The ceremonies included a Military Cross and Bar for an armored regiment captain from Virden, Man.
Names of the recipients cannot be made known immediately because some of the awards have not yet been gazetted.
Field Marshal Montgomery spent last night at Gen. Crerar's headquarters and returned there tonight at the completion of his tour.

50 Women Claim 1 Pair Stockings

VANCOUVER (CP)—Mrs. J. W. Moore found a pair of women's silk stockings in a downtown department store and advertised the fact in a newspaper.
"At least 50 women telephoned me," she said, "but not one could tell me the right size or the price of the stockings."
Mrs. Moore decided to let her two daughters draw for them.

Canadians Wade Into Reich



Amphibious vehicles of the Canadian 1st Army show how the battle of the flood waters is being won as the Canadians force their way to the Rhine and Ruhr. Here the vehicles move across the inundated countryside of Nijmegen after the Canadian soldiers had been marooned by floods caused when the Germans dynamited a dike.

Tokyo Industries Raided Say Japs

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The Tokyo domestic radio broadcast a series of air raid alarms today, accompanied by reports U.S. planes were over the Tokyo-Yokohama industrial districts. Alerts also were sounded in Shizuoka prefecture and at the Yokosuka naval station.
The warning broadcasts, recorded by the U.S. Communications Commission, gave no estimate of the number of planes.

Hunt Continues For Missing Groom

VANCOUVER (CP)—A night-long police search for George Grantland MacDonald, 36, formerly of Langley, Sask., who failed to arrive at Ryerson Church Friday night, where he was to have been married, was continuing today.
Scheduled to be married to a Langley, B.C., girl at 7:30 p.m., Friday, the bridegroom telephoned from downtown 15 minutes before the wedding ceremony was to have begun to confirm he would be on time. Sixteen hours later he is still missing without trace.

Hitler 'Forgotten Man'; Germans Shift for Selves

By JERG GRANBERG
(Swedish newspaper correspondent who recently returned to Stockholm from Berlin.)
STOCKHOLM (AP)—Hitler can be dubbed "the forgotten man" so far as the Germans are concerned.
The people sometimes wonder where he is living and if he still is deaf—as a result of the last July 20 bomb attempt, but on the whole they talk about him very little.
Goering is as little discussed as Hitler, but reports that he is a prisoner are untrue because he is frequently seen.
More and more you begin to understand that in these grim times each German is being left more and more to his own initiative and resources.

Almost every Berlin family is attempting to scrape together a small store of food and clothing as a reserve for the bitter end.
A more grotesque turn to this thought for the future is the fact that some Berliners are attempting to obtain "a guardian Jew."
In spite of Nazi persecution of the Jews, it is estimated that between 1,000 and 2,000 Jews or persons with Jewish blood remain in Berlin.

Ration Racket Smashed in Paris

PARIS (AP)—Two members of a gang of nine negro soldiers were killed and two military police were wounded in a raid on the gang's headquarters that broke up what was described by officials today as one of the biggest ration rackets in the European theatre of operations.

Officials said the soldiers deserted the U.S. army and drew army food in wholesale lots with forged requisition forms for the black market. They took over a hotel in the little town of Ermenonville to provide storeroom space.
The men were drawing rations for 250 men daily, using stolen army trucks to transport the food from Paris to Ermenonville. Black market operators motored to the little town to pick up the stolen supplies.

Persons with big bank accounts and good black market connections are reported competing with one another in smothering these Jews with food, wine and clothing so that "when the moment comes" they will be able to count on their good will and friendly solicitude.
Persons of smaller means are said lately to have offered bread ration coupons to Russian workers and prisoners of war in the hope they might be able to depend on them as guardian patrons.
Although Berliners are visibly frightened of the Russians, they are even more horrified at the prospect of gas warfare. This fear was intensified at the end of January when local party leaders distributed instructions on how to combat gas.

150 B29s Smash Singapore Docks Without Loss

WASHINGTON (AP)—Upward of 150 B29s attacked the Singapore dock area today with good results. Smoke billowed up 20,000 feet from the Japanese-held harbor facilities there as the U.S. raiders drew away.
Reporting this second strike of the month against Singapore from Indian bases, the 20th Air Force said that only weak fighter opposition was encountered and none of the B29s was lost to enemy action.
The announcement suggested this may have been the biggest raid thus far on Singapore.
It was the fourth strike by Superfortresses against the former British base at the tip of the Malay peninsula.

What Do We Do in the Infantry?... Well—



Yes, a soldier willingly lends a hand to evacuate the remnants of a grief-stricken family to the safety of an internment camp on Salpan. While youngster comforts her worried grandmother, he pushes a decrepit pram bearing the youngest member of the family. The natives, descendants of Jap colonists, were removed from combat areas during Allied assault on the Marianas.

17 Towns Overrun As Troops Smash Past Roer River

By JAMES M. LONG
PARIS (AP)—U.S. troops smashed more than four miles beyond the Roer River today, and there still were no signs of a German stand against the huge offensive now within 19 miles of Cologne and 12 of Muenchen Gladbach.
Gen. Eisenhower said the goal of this two-army push was to destroy the German army west of the Rhine on this northern end of the western front, and that he expected to be able to do it. He termed progress of the 1st and 9th Armies "certainly satisfactory."

U.S. infantrymen overran 17 towns and the prisoner toll soared above 1,400 as they fought forward across the Cologne plain.
Berlin broadcasts called the U.S. attack "the greatest offensive Eisenhower has ever staged," and one said "40 Anglo-American divisions are thus far employed in the western offensive."
Berlin previously has reported the British 2nd Army was participating in the 1st Canadian Army's push in the Kleve sector, north of the Roer River breakthrough. Today's broadcast did not specify where any British divisions were attacking with the Americans.
"All objectives are being taken ahead of schedule, particularly north of Linnich on the 9th Army front where the speed of advance showed a marked increase," Wes Gallagher, an Associated Press war correspondent, wrote tonight from the front. These men were a dozen miles or less from industrial Muenchen Gladbach, and 24 from Duesseldorf.

Bridgeheads had been gained along a 22-mile front, and had been pushed more than four miles beyond the flood-muddled Roer.

First Army troops forged a solid bridgehead in the Dueren area and fought to clean out the last German resistance in the city 20 miles from Cologne, another late dispatch said. Earlier today U.S. troops were reported in control of one-fourth of Dueren.

A steady stream of reinforcements was crossing into the Dueren sector, the dispatch added.

La Guardia Reprieves 'Cinderella' Curfew

NEW YORK (AP)—The big town's \$100,000,000 entertainment business today was preparing to enjoy, even if briefly, a reprieve granted them by Mayor F. H. La Guardia from the "Cinderella" curfew ordered for midnight Monday.
At least four night clubs—Copacabana, Zanzibar, Latin Quarter and Versailles—rescinded dismissal notices to 542 employees after Noah L. Braunstein, attorney for the cafe owners, announced.
The mayor, returning after two days in conferences in Washington, said yesterday he would await specific orders and "all the people operating may continue the status quo until I make an official announcement in New York City."

Scotland Whips England In Football International

LEICESTER, Eng. (CP)—Scotland ended a succession of four defeats in service rugby internationals today by whipping England 18-12 before a capacity crowd of more than 20,000.
England's more experienced forwards couldn't master their younger opponents and a Scottish pack including wing forward J. B. Nicholls of the R.A.A.F. did great work in the open. Scotland's points were made up of three goals and one try while

England had one goal, one penalty goal and one try.

LEAGUE CUP QUALIFYING COMPETITION
Aberdeen Athletic 2, Swans Town 3.
Barnsley 3, Hull City 6.
Bath City 1, Lorient Athletic 2.
Birmingham City 1, West Bromwich Albion 1.
Blackburn Rovers 2, Accrington Stanley 6.
Blackpool 4, Rochdale 6.
Bradford City 3, York City 6.
Brighton 1, Cardiff City 2.
Burnley 1, Preston North End 1.
Bury 3, Manchester United 1.
Chatterfield 2, Mansfield Town 2.
Coventry City 2, Northampton Town 2.
Crewe Alexandra 3, Chester 1.
Darlington 2, Newcastle United 3.
Derby County 1, Leicester City 4.
Doncaster Rovers 3, Sheffield United 1.

LEAGUE SOUTH CUP
Aston 1, Reading 6.
Brighton and Hove Seasides 2, Brentford 4.
Chelms 4, Luton Town 1.
Crystal Palace 2, Southampton 2.
Millwall 1, Fulham 4.
Portsmouth 4, Clapton Orient 1.
Queens Park Rangers 1, Tottenham Hotspur 4.
Walsford 2, Charlton Athletic 4.
West Ham United 4, Aldershot 6.

IRISH LEAGUE
Belfast Celtic 1, Linfield 1.
Cliftonville 2, Glenavon 3.
Distillery 4, Derry City 2.

OTHER MATCHES
Oxford 3, Cambridge 3.
Norwich City 4, Royal Navy 1.
Western Command 2, Northern Command 4.

SCOTTISH SOUTHERN LEAGUE CUP
Airdrieonians 1, Hamilton Academical 3.
Clyde 6, Celtic 6.
Hearts 2, St. Mirren 6.
Morton 6, Queen's Park 2.
Motherwell 2, Dunbarton 1.
Rangers 2, Albion Rovers 1.
Third Lanark 2, Rhoerians 1.

GLASGOW AND DISTRICT RESERVE LEAGUE
Celtic 1, Motherwell 2.
Dunbarton 2, Morton 2.
Hibernians 3, Airdrieonians 1.
Queen's Park 2, Kilmarnock 2.
St. Mirren 1, Partick Thistle 5.

SCOTTISH NORTHERN LEAGUE
Ayrroath 3, Falkirk 6.
Dundee 5, Hearts 1.
Dunfermline Athletic 1, Aberdeen 4.
East Fife 2, Rangers 1.
Raith Rovers 5, Dundee United 2.

Racing Dates Set: City, Sept. 8 to 24

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Vancouver Thoroughbred Association today announced official racing dates for the 1945 season. Victoria dates are Sept. 8 to 24. Vancouver will have six meets between June 30 and Sept. 3. No official announcement has been made but it is possible one seven-day meet at Vancouver will be staged at Lansdowne and the other five at Hastings Park.



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Toreador Song—Lawrence Tibbett—1.35
Air de la Fleur—Jussi Björling—1.35
Micaela's Air—Eide Norena, Freda—1.35
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Salut, Demeure—Richard Crooks, Price—1.35
Le Roi de Thule; Air des Bijoux—Eide Norena—1.35
Soldiers' Chorus—Victor Malt Chorus—75¢
Ballet Music—Royal Opera Orchestra, Two records, each, 1.35
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Red Cross to Be Theme Of Sunday Sermon

The pulpit of First United Church will be occupied Sunday evening by Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the Red Cross campaign committee, which opens its drive for \$100,000 in Victoria, Mar. 5.

Rev. Hugh A. McLeod is co-operating with the Red Cross. Sir Henry will speak on the work which is being accomplished by the Red Cross in ministering to the sick and wounded, in maintaining the moral of the prisoners of war, and in relieving the desperate needs of the people of war-torn countries.

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No Appeals Allowed From Zoning Board

No appeal from decisions of the zoning board of appeal will be considered William B. Shrawbury, representing Spring Ridge citizens who have petitioned against operation of a stove polish plant at 1222 Gladstone Avenue, was told when the board met in the City Hall Thursday.

The board recently gave Harold Simpson and Roy Milliner permission to operate the plant as a home industry in a building at the rear of Mr. Milliner's home. Mr. Simpson was present at the board meeting.

Plans approved by the board included: Conversion of a building at 3034 Queens Avenue from a four-suite to a five-suite apartment building for D. Smythe; alteration of a stairway for Hervey M. Neff at 2926 Fifth Street; and conversion of a duplex at 676 Battery Street to a triplex dwelling for A. Brazil.

Appeal Conviction

WELLAND, Ont. (CP)—Hugh A. Rose, K.C., defence counsel for Louis Desjardins, sentenced Friday to be hanged May 11 for the axe-murder of his wife, announced today his intention to file a notice of appeal against the conviction.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 737 Pandora—A shop with many new arrivals, including pearl and bone buttons, beads, sequins, good ostrich plumes, also aprons, clothing ornaments. Reasonable prices. Committee for Medical Aid for China.

A joint community evangelistic campaign will be held by Belmont United Church and Emmanuel Baptist Church, March 5 to 11. Rev. J. W. Smith, B.D., of Vancouver will be the guest preacher.

A real Old-time Dance. Scaff's original old-time orchestra. Lake Hill, every Saturday, 9 to 12. Refreshments. Bring own sugar. Admission 50 cents.

Canadian Dental Corps W.A. Rummage Sale, Wednesday, Feb. 28, Meston Building, 1407-Broad, 9:30 o'clock.

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"Problem Parents," a lecture by Dr. John M. Ewing, Principal Victoria College, First United Church—Sunday School Hall, Friday, March 2, 8 p.m. Admission 25 cents.

Schubert Club in Twilight Recital at First Baptist Church Sunday at 3.

The banquet of the Victoria Welsh Society will be held on March 1, at Terry's Dining-room, 7 p.m. Reservations phone Mrs. A. Pednault, G 8985.

The Wishbone serves a dollar dinner every Sunday from 5 to 8 p.m. A particular place for particular people.

Clearing Last Japs From Manila; 2,146 Civilians Released

MANILA (AP)—Three regiments of U.S. infantrymen fought from building to building inside the ancient Intramuros today, clearing the last Japanese from Manila amid tragic scenes of enemy brutality.

Fierce fighting in the closing phase of the three-week battle for the Philippine capital was announced by Gen. Douglas MacArthur, who also disclosed U.S. troops had invaded a second small island, Biri, to complete control of San Bernardino straits between Luzon and Samar.

Also reported was the rescue by U.S. paratroops of 2,146 civilian internees from Los Baños internment camp behind the enemy lines on Luzon island.

Rescue came also for civilians, held by the doomed Japanese garrison inside the centuries-old Intramuros during the two-week U.S. siege. They were treated at field hospitals, but many non-combatant dead remained among the rubble.

The Japanese commander of the old walled city had not replied to a U.S. offer that he and his men would be permitted honorable surrender if the civilians, held as virtual hostages, were released.

The enemy appeared determined to fight and die there.

Three days of shelling the 20-foot-thick northeast wall came to a thundering climax early Friday.

The wall was breached in two places and troops dashed across a wide boulevard and an old golf course which was once a moat, and leaped into the Intramuros to engage in hand-to-hand combat with the near-crazed defenders.

Simultaneously other troops, moving under a heavy smoke screen, crossed the Pasig River near its mouth in assault boats. The move caught the Japanese by surprise.

The first civilians to reach safety were 11 nuns—three of them on stretchers. Thirty-one other nuns chose to remain behind in a convent, preferring that refuge although its walls were fast crumbling.

George Thomas Foster of NBC, terming the Intramuros "A wrecked place of murder," reported finding a large pile of dead Filipinos, hands tied behind their backs. The Japanese, he said, had tried to burn the bodies, but failed.

Delegates, Cabinet Discuss Union Brief

A comprehensive brief suggesting numerous labor reforms was discussed Friday at a two-hour meeting with the provincial cabinet of a delegation of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council and affiliated A.F. of L. Trades and Labor Congress unions.

One of the main topics considered was a check-off system for collecting union dues. The brief had been presented to the government last Jan. 12.

The labor representatives also asked that a union shop be made obligatory if a majority of the employees in a business wished it. Also considered were proposed amendments to health, motor vehicle, old age pension, minimum wage, hours of work and apprenticeship acts.

Speaking for the delegates were George Wilkinson, secretary of the Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council; A. H. Watt, secretary of the Building Trades Council, Vancouver; Rolfe Gervin, secretary of the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council; Tom Parkin, representing the Aeronautics Lodge, and James McMillan, representing the International Association of Machinists.

Birt Showler, Vancouver, acted as chairman for the delegation.

Mackinnon Called Back to Ottawa

EDMONTON (CP)—Trade Minister James A. MacKinnon has been called to Ottawa by Prime Minister King to attend a cabinet meeting Tuesday on "important business," it was announced today.

Mr. MacKinnon said it was necessary to cancel a trip to Vancouver, where he was scheduled to address the Board of Trade next Wednesday and discuss the trade and shipping situation. At a nominating convention here Friday night Mr. MacKinnon was unanimously chosen to contest the Edmonton West riding for the Liberals in the next federal general election, a seat he now holds.



CAPTURE ENDS HIS ACTIVITIES—The finger of guilt is pointed at this Chinese-Filipino who is charged with acting as a spy for the Japanese in Manila. Pointing the finger is one who knows, for it is J. E. Hoover, formerly of Williamsport, Pa., an untiring leader of Filipino guerrillas.

Turkey May Help Clear Islands In Mediterranean; Greeks Watch

ANKARA (AP)—The military consequences of Turkey's declaration of war against Germany and Japan have not yet been made clear, but the belief was being expressed today that this country may participate in a campaign to clean up the eastern Mediterranean islands.

Approximately 12,000 Germans still are clinging to a small but heavily-defended corner of the northwest coast of Crete. The Greeks now control the rest of that strategic island.

In the eastern Aegean the Germans hold Rhodes in considerable strength, and also Cos, Leros and most other Dodecanese islands.

The Germans for the most part are without adequate arms and ammunition. Cut off from the homeland, they get their food

Fliers Knock Out 5,000 Locomotives 7,000 Cars in Reich

LONDON (CP)—Allied warplanes hammered in relays again today at Germany's vast network of railways, already reported in chaos from incessant bombings the last two days and nights in support of the new ground offensive.

Pilots who made low-level inspection flights over hundreds of miles of the blitzed rail systems reported traffic at a complete standstill. Wreckage is piled high in the major yards.

It was estimated by competent observers that at least 5,000 locomotives and 7,000 freight cars have been shot up or stranded since Thursday night.

A force of 500 to 750 R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. bombers Friday night attacked Pforzheim, southeast of Karlsruhe, and an important junction on the main line to the U.S. 3rd Army front. Crews reported dropping saturation loads of high explosives on the vital junction for German supply movement. The Moose, Ghost, Iroquois and Bluenose, Squadrons of the R.C.A.F. took part, and all planes returned safely.

Police Investigate Galiano Tragedy

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A dog, which was in the house at the time of the fire was also burned and had to be destroyed.

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Mrs. Kinneard's husband is serving with the R.C.A.F. overseas.

Chinese Recapture Lienhwa, Key Point

CHUNGKING (AP)—Chinese troops have recaptured Lienhwa, key point in the Japanese supply line to Kanhsein and Suichuan, fallen U.S. air bases in Kiangsi province, the Chinese high command announced today.

Lienhwa, 90 miles east of the Japanese-held Canton-Hankow railway junction of Hengyang, protected the east flank of the enemy's China-Indo-China corridor.

Chinese regulars, collaborating with local militia, attacked Thursday. The Japanese garrison was driven eastward. The town was recaptured completely the following morning.

Racing Season Opens In Britain April 2

LONDON (CP)—Britain's new racing season will open April 2, Easter Monday, with meetings at Ascot and Pontefract, Yorkshire, the Jockey Club announced Thursday.

Four of the classics will be run at Newmarket—the 1,000 Guineas May 8, the 2,000 Guineas May 9, the Oaks and Derby June 8 and June 9, respectively.

Racing again will be on a regional basis. Southern races will be at Ascot, Salisbury and Windsor, and those in the north at Pontefract, Stockton and Catterick Bridge.

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Cambridge Scores Win in Boat Race

HENLEY ON THE THAMES, Eng. (CP)—Cambridge's crew swept to a two-length upset victory over Oxford today in Britain's traditional boat race amid an atmosphere that for the first time since the war began smacked of the happier days of peace.

With a heavier crew and five of last year's winning eight back, Oxford was an overwhelming favorite to break the deadlock of two victories each in previous wartime meetings.

Gunder Haegg Still Among the Missing

NEW YORK (AP)—Although Gunder Haegg, the Swedish distance runner, is still somewhere at sea, and Gil Dodds, last year's mile winner, will also be missing in tonight's national A.A.U. track and field championships at Madison Square Garden, the meet promises to be one of the best in its 57-year-old history.

Dan Ferris, secretary of the A.A.U., still is hopeful that Haegg, who is beginning to be compared with the ancient mariner, will be among the 36 entries in the three-mile event, but track officials are resigned to his absence.

The field will include 256 athletes from the services and 24 colleges and universities, the largest ever assembled in the history of the meet.

Lloyd George Still Weak

CRICCIETH, North Wales (CP)—Condition of Earl Lloyd George, 82, is "unchanged," it was reported today, and his physical condition was described as "weak."

A report from his bedside Friday said he "sat up for a very short period today and is quite cheerful."

Hear Bernard Webber, M.L.A., C.J.V., Saturday, Feb. 24, 9 p.m., "Canada—Land of Opportunity," sponsored by Nanaimo constituency C.C.F.



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Round-up

By TOM MERRIMAN

DOMINION Bureau of Statistics reports economic high spots were reached in Canada last year in everything but the cost of living. That was down from 118.9 to 118.4. Wholesale prices dropped from the index of 102.5 to 100.

NOEL F. HALL, British Minister to Washington, says it was not the bombs so much as the annoyance caused by the lack of such things as clean shirts that were most damaging to British morale during the blitz days.

TELLING of its work in paving the way for a happy life in Canada for some of the 24,000 war brides of Canadians, 2,500 of whom have come to this country, the Salvation Army discloses all are not happy on arrival. An officer in an Ontario town saw an unhappy looking girl wheeling a baby carriage and spoke to her. She was a war bride who had been in Canada two weeks. She was depressed, hated hearing the word "home" and wanted to return by the next boat.

NEW Veterans Branch, No. 168, Vancouver, is the latest to support the plea for the return to Canada of all men who have been overseas for five years or more, and their replacement by home defence men and men on deferment.

BRITISH command of the Canadian Legion, without mincing words, thinks the "Tin Hats" battlefront concert party that was in Victoria recently has been given a shabby deal on its first tour of Canada. It is made up of fighting men who saw service on the battle fronts before making the Canadian tour, and relatives of the boys and the Legion generally should have been given the opportunity to see and applaud them, the Legion thinks. Pointing to the excellent treatment given "The Army Show," the Legion asks why the discrimination and complaints some exhibited a sad lack of imagination.

KINGS County Sheriff H. S. Callahan is among those who believe a lot of juvenile delinquency should be blamed to parents. In future he plans to arrest "a few of these parents who are too busy to keep track of their children," and charge them with contributing to juvenile delinquency.

CANADIAN PRESS reports indicate Navy Minister MacDonald is among those who will leave their wartime duties to return to civilian life when he can conscientiously do so. The reports say he is anxious to leave the federal political field as soon as the war reaches a decisive stage and he can retire, with minimum dislocation of the cabinet so that he can return to his private practice.

A delegation of Canadian business men will go to Mexico as soon as transportation arrangements can be made. A lively Mexican interest in trade prospects with Canada has led to the move for such a visit.

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Population of 23,000,000 Suitable for Canada

By Canadian Institute of Public Opinion

TORONTO—While they may differ considerably as to what races or types Canada should allow to settle here, most Canadians agree that this country could maintain a considerably larger population than it has now. If the visions of all Canadians as to just how big Canada's population should be were written down, the median would be around 23,000,000 persons.

A trio of questions was put to a typical cross section of voters by Gallup Poll reporters to measure public attitudes towards the population question:

First, "Do you happen to know about what the population of Canada is today?"

Second, "Would you like to see Canada have a much larger population, or do you think the present population is just about right?"

Finally, of those who would like to see it larger: "About how large do you think Canada's population should be?"

About half the voters today can give a reasonably accurate estimate of Canada's present population—between 11,000,000 and 12,000,000 people. Quebecers show up as better informed on this point than the rest of Canada, with prairie residents a close second. Nationally, the results of this first question were as follows:

Between 11,000,000 and 12,000,000, 51 per cent; between 6,000,000 and 11,000,000, 13 per cent; less than 6,000,000, 1 per cent; over 12,000,000, 7 per cent; couldn't guess, 28 per cent.

It will be seen that among those who made an estimate but were wrong, the tendency was to underestimate the present population of the Dominion, rather than to overestimate it.

To the second question, nearly two-thirds replied that they would like to see the population much larger than it is at present, whether or not they knew what the present figure was: Much larger, 65 per cent; about right, 21 per cent; undecided, 9 per cent; qualified, 5 per cent.

In the prairie provinces, and

Today's WAR NEWS Analysis

By DEWITT MACKENZIE

Associated Press War Analyst
This is Gen. Eisenhower's all-out offensive into the Rhineland, and the big news of the moment is that U.S. troops along a wide front in the Dueren sector have forced the dangerous crossing of the flooded Roer River—last great natural barrier between them and the Rhine.

The assault has gone well—better than expected in its initial stages. German resistance is increasing, however, as the enemy troops recover from the incapacitating shock of one of the most terrific and destructive preliminary bombardments ever seen. We must expect fierce fighting, for this is the showdown in the west.

As the U.S. 1st and 9th Armies broke across the Roer—an amazing feat in the light of amphibious operations, assault boats and infantry bridges were used—the 1st Canadian Army on the northern

end of the front, and the U.S. 3rd and 7th Armies on the south, intensified their assaults on the German flanks. Thus the entire battleline is flaming.

This offensive is what Field Marshal Montgomery a few days ago in an order-of-the-day to his troops in the north forecast as the "final round" which would continue without cessation until the "knockout." That aptly described this great and crucial operation.

It has been staged, despite adverse weather conditions on the whole, in conjunction with the Russian drive on the eastern front. It conforms to—and may be the direct outcome of—the decision of the Big Three in the Crimea conference to bring the Hitlerian war to a quick termination.

There are two prime reasons for forcing the issue. One is that the German war machine is definitely cracking. The other is that we also have the Japanese on the run, and we want a speedy clean-up in Europe so we can fling all our resources into the Pacific conflict.

Fewer Industrial Deferments, More Among Farm Workers

OTTAWA (CP)—Dominion headquarters of the Canadian Legion today made public a letter from Arthur MacNamara, director of National Selective Service, in which he said the number of industrial workers on deferment from military service had been reduced by 15,000 in the nine-month period March 31, to Dec. 31, 1944. The number of agricultural deferments increased 14,000 in the same period.

Mr. MacNamara's letter was in reply to a brief submitted by the Legion to Prime Minister King and later forwarded to the labor department. The Legion asked for a "searching review" of the manpower situation and the replacement of men on deferment by men with long overseas service.

"In regard to the number of men now on postponement as engaged in essential industries and services as at March 31, 1944, there were actually 52,000, whereas at the end of December just past there were 34,000," Mr. MacNamara said. "Of these, approximately 6,000 are in transportation services, leaving only 28,000 for industry."

"It is anticipated that in the next summer a considerable number of agricultural investigators will be engaged by the department. Their duties will be to proceed throughout Canada and make test checks of agricultural postponement cases as well as the cases of men on agricultural leave from the armed forces."

Federal By-Elections Canceled; No Word If Session To Be Held

OTTAWA (CP)—Cancellation by the government of nine federal by-elections scheduled to be held April 23 was regarded in capital political circles today as conclusive proof there is no intention to extend the life of Parliament beyond April 17, the date on which the five-year parliamentary term will end.

Notice of the cancellation appeared in the Canada Gazette Friday over the signature of Jules Castonguay, chief electoral officer, and it explained that Parliament would be dissolved before April 23 and any expense involved in preparing for the by-elections would be unnecessary.

The by-elections were to have been held in Montreal-St. James, Beauce, Kamouraska, Portneuf, St. Hyacinthe-Bagot, Terrebonne and Sherbrooke, all Quebec provinces, constituencies, Kenora-Rainy River in Ontario and Weyburn in Saskatchewan.

Publication of the cancellation notice followed by 24 hours a proclamation formally extending prorogation of Parliament to March 31. Parliament had been prorogued to Feb. 28.

The proclamation was merely

a formality, however, and it does not prevent the government from calling a session any time before March 31 if it so desires. Its purpose was to advise members of the Commons and the Senate they would not be required to come to Ottawa Feb. 28, the original prorogation date.

The prorogation proclamation and the cancellation of the by-elections stirred fresh speculation as to whether the government intends holding another session before the life of the present Parliament expires and as to when the forthcoming general election will be held.

While some observers think there will be no further session, others maintain there will be a short sitting to vote money for essential war purposes and normal governmental services.

The latest date suggested in political circles for the general election is June 11. That date would avoid conflict with the Victory Loan campaign late in April and also would enable Prime Minister King, as Secretary of State for External Affairs, to attend the world security conference scheduled to open in San Francisco April 25.

Victel Credit Union Elects Officers

D. A. J. MacLoud, president, in his report to the members of the Victel Credit Union at the annual banquet at Terry's, congratulated the members present on the progress of their credit union and reported that their assets had passed the \$21,000 mark.

The treasurer-manager, W. H. Sturrock, presented the financial statement, which showed that \$36,000 in loan business had been done with the members since the credit union was incorporated in December, 1940.

Officers elected were: Board of directors—Robert F. Williams, president; A. Clifford Bull, vice-president; Miss I. A. Booth, secretary; Kendrick R. Findler, Miss I. Crawford, D. A. J. MacLoud, J. A. M. Wetmore.

Supervisory committee—L. M. Butler, Miss F. M. Paterson, Miss E. Parsell.

Credit committee—Melvin L. Setter, Miss Edith M. Ross, Alexander P. McCormick, Miss Kathleen Johnson, Miss Doreen L. Tupman.

Teachers' Pay Raises Start in September

Pay increases for 433 rural schoolteachers in B.C. will start with their September cheques.

A government proclamation today puts the new minimum salary schedule announced by the government into effect with the start of the new school year on July 1. However, the teachers do not get paid in the summer holiday months. They take their yearly salary in 10 cheques over the teaching period, so the first cheques affected will be September.

The increase will cost the provincial treasury \$45,000 in the year. They will be varied, to bring the lower paid teacher group up to the new minimums which are as follows, on a yearly basis: Teachers with temporary certificates \$1,100, with permanent certificates \$1,200, junior high teachers and superior school principals \$1,400, high school teachers \$1,500.

Famed Russian Author Alexei Tolstoy Dies

LONDON (CP)—Moscow reported "sorrowfully" Friday night the death of Alexei Tolstoy, 62-year-old Russian author.

The writer, a distant relative of the famed Count Leo Tolstoy, was author of "Peter the Great," acclaimed as perhaps the greatest Russian historical novel since the Revolution.

Tolstoy fought the Reds in the 1917 Revolution, but later embraced Soviet ideals so fervently he was described as a "burning patriot." He was by birth a nobleman, although he had disavowed the title of count for years.

Manslaughter Verdict

MONTREAL (CP)—A 12-man jury returned a verdict of manslaughter today in the case of Marcel Bonneau and Rene Lavoie, the first an inmate and the second a guard at Bordeaux Jail, charged jointly with the murder of Gerard Lauzon, an insane jail inmate. Mr. Justice Wilfrid Lazure said he would pass sentence March 20.

Lauzon died in the prison infirmary May 31 last from injuries suffered when he was beaten by the guard and three inmates. Two of the inmates, both being held in the prison at the time on charges of murder and attempted murder, were later declared mentally unfit to stand trial.

Ex-R.C.A.F. Man Fails in Appeal

NEW YORK (AP)—The Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court Friday affirmed unanimously the conviction for second degree murder of Wayne T. Loneragan, former Toronto R.C.A.F. airframe man now serving 35-years-to-life for the bludgeoning slaying of his wife, Patricia. The battered body of Mrs. Loneragan, cafe society heiress, was found Oct. 24, 1943, in the bedroom of the couple's fashionable New York apartment. Twenty-eight-year-old Loneragan was taken in custody the following day in Toronto, and was returned to New York. On Oct. 28, the New York County district attorney's office announced it had obtained a confession of the crime.

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Veterans to Vote In Hospitals

OTTAWA (CP)—Veterans' Minister Mackenzie announced today that an order-in-council has been passed providing that discharged war veterans being treated in Canadian hospitals will be entitled to vote in the next general election.

Provision had already been made for veterans in service hospitals to vote, but it was found that when they were discharged from strength and entered either a Veterans' Affairs or a civil hospital they were not enfranchised. Mr. Mackenzie said the new regulations not only permitted them to vote, but created the necessary electoral machinery for collecting the ballots.

He also said the right to vote was granted to the hospitalized veterans irrespective of age. "As in the case of serving members of the forces, those under 21 are not disfranchised by age."

Lemon Extract Found Near Soldier's Body

VANCOUVER (CP)—Four empty bottles, three labeled "Lemon Extract" and the fourth "Methyl-Hydrate, Poison," were held by police for analysis following the sudden death, late Friday, of a 45-year-old soldier, Pte. Alexander D. MacLean, who died 15 minutes after being admitted to hospital from a down-town Powell Street rooming house.

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TURKEY'S TOKEN MOVE

NO BELLS IN ALLIED CAPITALS WILL ring out with joyous peals over the announcement that Turkey has decided, at long last, to declare war on Germany and Japan. She has screwed up her courage for the "plunge" at this stage for no other purpose than to have her name put down on the list of "associate members" of the United Nations. It was a case of taking action on or before March 1 to entitle her to send a representative to the momentous meeting which is to begin to organize the peace at San Francisco next April 25. Her actual declaration, therefore, is of the token variety—an intelligent anticipation of undeserved favors to come.

At the same time, Turkey's action may help the psychological warfare against the German people, about which the world has heard a good deal. Her admission to the list of open enemies of the Reich at this juncture conceivably could be one of the last straws for the camel's back, as it were, for the mighty arguments with which Allied air forces are pounding dozens of German communities day after day should soon convince the most fanatical Nazi that further sufferance of the Hitlerian regime is the height of stupidity.

From the early days of the war, until economic and diplomatic relations between Ankara and Berlin came to an end at two months ago, Germany's wily ambassador, Franz von Papen had used every artifice in his diplomatic and undiplomatic arsenal—first to persuade Turkey to throw in her lot with the Axis, then to supply the Reich with valuable natural resources and, finally, to remain a friendly neutral. However, it soon became apparent that, whatever other accommodation they might be disposed to afford the Third Reich—and for a time this was substantial—the men who inherited a modern and progressive republic had made up their minds on two specific considerations. One was to heed Kemal Ataturk's categorical injunction to avoid war, unless the nation's honor were assailed; and, in any case, never again to align themselves on Germany's side, because "you lose if you win." The other was their evident determination to live up to the spirit of the Anglo-Turkish pact of 1939.

The history of Turkey's relations with the major members of the United Nations, often extremely unsatisfactory from the point of view of Britain and the Soviet Union—especially when Russian armies were sorely pressed by the Wehrmacht on the southern end of the elongated eastern front—is too fresh in the public mind to require detailed recapitulation here. When the full story of these relations can be told, and the facts arranged in their true perspective, much that has appeared puzzling and complex during the last two years may merit a sympathetic assessment.

AN OLD TOPIC

THE QUESTION OF CANADA'S MEMBERSHIP in the Pan-American Union is not a new topic of debate by any means; and once upon a time some of those now critical of her absence from Mexico City seldom missed an opportunity of proclaiming their proud charter membership in the ancient order of Imperial isolationism, or exclusionism, whichever term suits them. Regardless of this Dominion's close tie with the rest of the Empire, however, it can be presumed that if she had desired to take an official part in the deliberations now in progress in Mexico City, she might have been permitted so to do. Canada is strategically placed between the states of the Western Hemisphere, Europe and Asia by her integration with the British Commonwealth of Nations—a vitally important factor.

But Canada likewise, in many ways, is associated with the United States—the more so by virtue of the common purpose of this war—whose position in the conference as one of the "Big Three" is, to say the least, somewhat delicate. If this senior overseas British Dominion and the United States were together at the Mexico City deliberations and acted together, as they probably would, some of the central and southern Latin American states might consider undue pressure was being brought to bear on the various proposals under discussion. "Yankee Imperialism" is still a cry south of the Rio Grande.

It is interesting to note, moreover, that state documents published in Washington two years ago revealed the extraordinary declaration that when Mr. Calvin Coolidge was President of the United States and Mr. Frank B. Kellogg was Secretary of State, in 1928, Canadian membership in the Pan-American Union was not a practical proposal because the Dominion did not control its own foreign relations and was not, strictly speaking, an autonomous North American state. This was the intimation conveyed in instructions sent by Mr. Kellogg to the Sixth Pan-American Conference held in Havana in January of that year. The communication, of course, was merely intended as a guide to the delegates—because this country had not then, and has not since, applied for membership in this important hemispheric organization. The fact that Canada is not

a republic has been considered by some member states as a handicap; hence no invitation to Ottawa to the organization's parleys.

While the Kellogg note in some respects conformed to the strict legal interpretation of Canada's association with Great Britain, the statement that this country possessed no authority to control its foreign relations was both misleading and totally inaccurate. Five years before the 1928 meeting of the Pan-American Union, for example, the Dominion had negotiated and signed on her own behalf the Halibut Treaty with the United States. But Canada's status as a nation was established when Sir Robert Borden signed the Treaty of Versailles in 1919 for this part of the British Empire. And it should be recalled, too, that the Parliament at Ottawa authorized the declaration of war against the Central Powers in 1914, not out of a sense of bounden duty but by the unhesitating exercise of its right and privilege. This nation's entrance into the present conflict in 1939 did, however, mark the first occasion on which she had utilized her unequivocally legalized prerogative and authority as derived from the Statute of Westminster.

The views propounded by Mr. Coolidge and Mr. Kellogg, in 1928, of course, were wholly unsound, particularly as they doubted Canada's right to shape and conduct her own foreign policy. Whether she would have accepted an invitation to join the Pan-American Union at that time, or any time since the legalizing of her status in the Commonwealth—which implies complete independence—is a matter of purely academic abstraction. The present conference in Mexico City, nevertheless, draws new attention to hemispheric interests and what is necessary to consolidate them to be of strong purpose at the April meeting of the United Nations in San Francisco.

NOT QUITE THE WORD

HITLER'S RECENT UTTERANCES ONLY strengthen the argument that he should have submitted to psychiatric treatment many years ago. His latest gem, that Germany is an "unshakable community of people," is hardly more apt than an earlier statement to the effect that the horrid fate overtaking his country would be mastered in the end. "Unshakable" was hardly the word. The combined Allied air might has not been dropping puff balls on the Reich. Not even the most fanatical adherence to a national faith could withstand that shaking.

DECONTAMINATION

MOST OF THE WARTIME IDIOMS which are now general phraseology have been happily chosen and express succinctly the ideas they mean to convey. But there must be some question over the imagery invoked by the words "mopping up." That implies a simple matter of swishing a swab around to clean away unwanted refuse. It does not cover the operations of clearing Japanese from the territory of those South Pacific islands whose main centres have been liberated. The Australians call it decontamination. In vulgar terms, it is "de-lousing" under difficulties; removing pests as tenacious as a wood-tick from badly-tangled hair.

The Australians, who can claim pioneering work in jungle fighting, are developing another technique, a clean-up campaign that cannot be taught in the lecture hall. They are finding on Bougainville that the Japanese have made complete preparations against the day when the Allies would seek to drive them from the island. The enemy has heavily fortified the razor-back ridges in that territory and has built other strong points in the middle of swamps. And the Australians are proving the fallacy of prophesies that Japanese who have been bypassed in various areas would "with the vine" when the main centres have fallen. The enemy has been taught to live off the country and defend it.

Exclusive of the Philippines and Netherlands, estimates place the number of Japanese in by-passed islands at 244,000. Among those islands are the Carolines, including Truk and Yap, the Marshalls, Ocean and Nauru Islands, Marcus and Wake, the Marianas, Solomons, New Guinea and Bebelthup in the Palau. On some the enemy still has airstrips in operation. And the job of decontaminating them will be as difficult as digging out wood-ticks—wood-ticks equipped like hornets, with the business end exposed to sting.

OVERTURE TO SPRING

INTERMITTENT NIGHT FROSTS HAVE held back its arrival, but Victoria's spring triumph, the flowering plums and cherries of Cornwall, Burdett and other streets will burst into bloom in the next few days. Citizens, hungry for the sight of the dainty pastel flowers, have forced some of the twigs in water indoors to preview the coming grandeur, but what they have enjoyed has been only a glimpse of the panorama that will soon unfold. Already faint colors are dusting the tips of some chrysanthemum buds that wear their winter shields; a warming sun will do the rest.

Then will come the rich crown of blossoms on slender brown trunks, ethereal snowballs tinged with pink, that transform so many streets into avenues of fancy. And when the winds blow, down will shower the soft petals to the young green grass. Then a foliage of shining bronze will grace the boughs which bore them.

But, bright as is the picture they make, there is more to the flowering trees than their glorious mass of blossoms. They are a spiritual influence, a presence which shucks off the drab overcoat of winter, bursts the sullen mask of the dead season and greets the world smiling. They are to Victorians what the lark on the wing was to Browning; they are the entrancing poetry of spring.

Walter Lippmann

THE NOTION that the "Big Three" intend to rule the world has no doubt been strengthened momentarily by their failure to invite France to participate in the political decisions of the Yalta conference. The effect may be felt at the conference of American states now in session in Mexico City and later at San Francisco. Yet it is clear that the "Big Three" will not rule the world. They could not do it even if they wished to do it. The real danger is not that they intend to rule the world but that for lack of lucidity and imagination in their diplomacy they will give the impression that they would like to.

For the predominance of the "Big Three" is a direct consequence of the war, of the military fact that they supply and control the power to defeat Germany and Japan. Their predominance has already diminished as the war has come nearer to its end. Yalta was much less exclusively the "Big Three" in its decisions than was Teheran. Probably there will never be another meeting of this kind attended only by the "Big Three." The control of Germany and the settlement of Europe were recognized at Yalta as transcending the authority of the "Big Three." The control of Japan and the settlement in Asia will manifestly not be for the "Big Three" alone. And in the realm of general world order and reconstruction the participants will be not only the United Nations, according to their interests and abilities, but the neutrals as well.

THE CENTRALIZATION of command, which is a necessity of war, is bound to give way to consultation for agreement in the period of pacification, and in the peace which will follow. At Yalta the French were invited to become an occupying power in Germany, and to take their equal place in the control of Germany. This is more than a recognition that France has a vital interest in the German problem.

Even in its lowest terms this is true: If Germany is to be occupied for any considerable period of time, the occupying forces in the western and southern region of Germany will, of necessity, have to be supplied in increasing proportions by France. No one will imagine that the United States will long maintain a large army in Europe, or indeed much more than token forces composed of professional soldiers. The garrisons, and the striking forces held in readiness to enforce the terms, will surely have to be supplied by the European neighbors of Germany. Moreover, the control of Germany will require a strict administration of the German frontiers, and for this there must be a willing and faithful participation by the neighboring states. Naturally, they will participate in making the policy.

THIS IS BUT one illustration among many which might be adduced of how in practice the authority of the "Big Three" is certain to be shared and to become decentralized. What the less powerful nations are asking as a matter of principle and of right they will attain. The right principle is the only workable principle as we come into the era of pacification and of reconstruction.

If this were better understood, if in their statements of policy the "Big Three" would only affirm it explicitly and positively, it would be a great help. Not only would they strengthen the confidence of the other Allies, but also their patience and tolerance in accepting the leadership of the "Big Three" during the coming period of military crisis when the leadership of the "Big Three" is so necessary to the common cause.

The one best opportunity to do this will come when we expound the Dumbarton Oaks charter at Mexico City and at San Francisco. The crux of the difficulty is that in the security council five great powers have a special position. There is no reasonable doubt that for the purpose of preventing another world war in this generation these five great powers occupy a special position. If they are agreed, there cannot be a world war; if they become enemies, their conflict will be a world war.

BUT THOUGH this is a sufficient reason for their special position, it would be the part of wisdom to acknowledge that this peculiar state of affairs will not last forever. As a matter of fact, it can last only for a certain period of time. That is the period of pacification while Germany and Japan are under special control and are on probation. If the pacification of our enemies is a failure, as it was from 1919 to 1933, the nations will become aligned for another war. If the pacification is successful, our enemies will be readmitted to an equal place, and through reconciliation the true peace will begin. If and when that day comes, the security council as it is now organized will have to be reconstructed.

Therefore, it seems to me, we ought to recognize these truths by proposing that it be called the provisional security council, and perhaps by providing that its constitution should be reconsidered at some agreed time in the future. This would go far to remove the suspicions and to meet the moral objections of our less powerful allies. It would also be the proof that we understand the principles of peace, and do not confuse them with the necessities of war, or the expedients which we shall have to adopt in the era of pacification which will come between the war and the peace.

FOR THEN WE shall be proclaiming the fundamental truth that as long as the world is divided into victors, vanquished and neutrals, the reign of peace has not begun. Arrangements, be they at Yalta conference, or the security council designed at Dumbarton Oaks, which fit the war and the pacification are not to be treated as the permanent institutions of a world at peace. They are de facto and provisional, and provided that all men think of them that way, they can serve a great practical purpose in inaugurating a true peace.

Poznan Again Free Of Prussian Yoke

POZNAN or Posen, capital of the agriculturally-rich Polish province of the same name, which achieved prewar strength as a bulwark against German penetration, was freed of the Nazi yoke again today, following Marshal Stalin's announcement of its capture by the Russians.

On the banks of the Warta, in a wide and sandy plain, it is 180 miles west of Warsaw and 150 miles east of Berlin. Before the German invasion, the great Polish railway hub had attained a population of 246,700, of whom 95 per cent were Poles and 5 per cent Germans. Its strong Jewish element had earlier migrated to the United States. Prior to World War One, the population had been divided equally between Germans and Poles during a period in which settlement there was encouraged by Germany. The later restoration of Poland led to the removal of Prussian elements to their own state.

ONE of the oldest towns in Poland and the residence of that nation's first king, Boleslaw the Brave, as well as its first bishop, Poznan was originally settled on the right bank of the river. In 1250 German elements established the new town on the left side and built it into a thriving commercial centre. By a charter in 1394, it gained the staple right for all goods passing between Poland and Germany. German blood in the town was assimilated and many foreign groups, including a colony of Scots, settled there. Following fires in 1536 and 1594 its predominantly Gothic appearance was changed to the Renaissance style. The city's fortunes declined with those of Poland in the 17th century, but flourished again in the 19th century.

Poznan is the centre of one of the five ecclesiastical provinces of the Catholic church in that nation. Of the 15 churches of that denomination in the city, the cathedral contains many fine works of art and the tombs of the first two rulers of Poland. The town hall, rebuilt in 1552 was a magnificent building in Romanesque style. The pretentious castle built by William II is a legacy of the period of Prussian rule. Prior to this war its fine Racynski library, two museums and a university were of international repute.

PREWAR industries were based largely on agricultural produce, but an important locomotive works had been established there in recent years. Active trade existed in peacetime, both by river and rail, in corn, cattle, wool and potatoes as well as products of the brewing, distilling and agricultural machinery industries. How much of its original architectural grandeur remains is highly problematical. The Germans can be depended upon to have done their worst.

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Feb. 25, 1941 — Marshal Petain set up a super cabinet under Admiral Darlan. The British captured Mogadiscio, capital and chief seaport of Italian Somaliland. British destroyer-Exmoor was torpedoed and sunk in the North Sea. British occupied Kastelorzio in the Dodecanese group.

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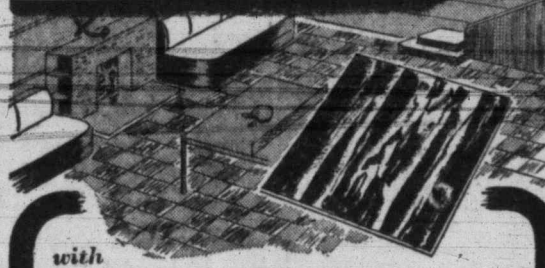
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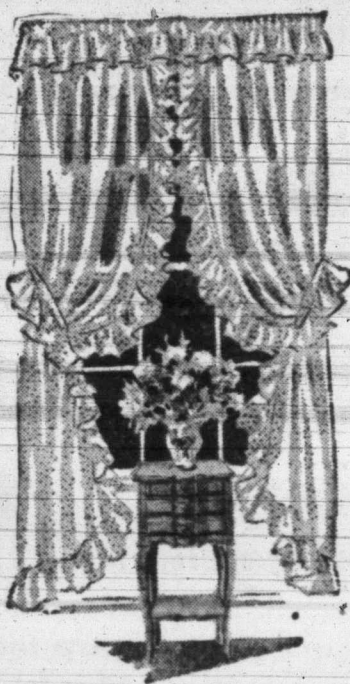
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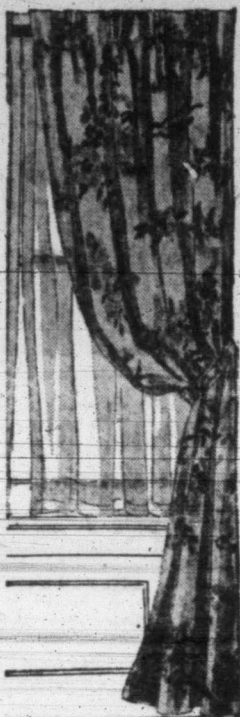
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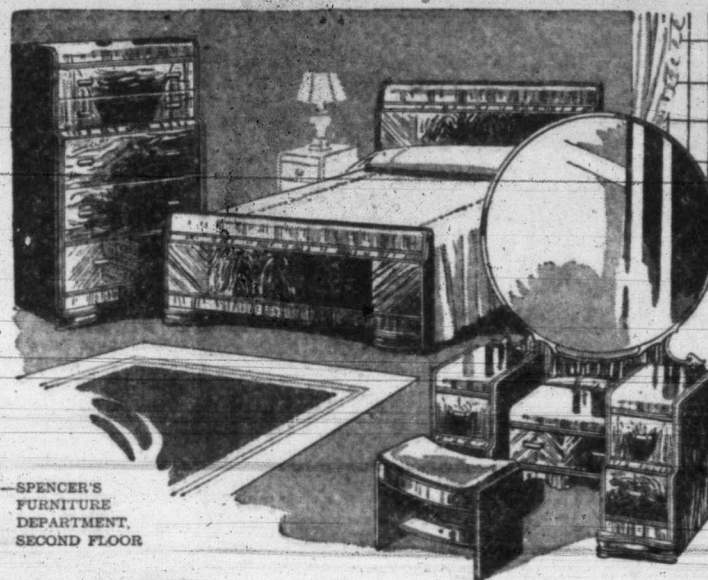
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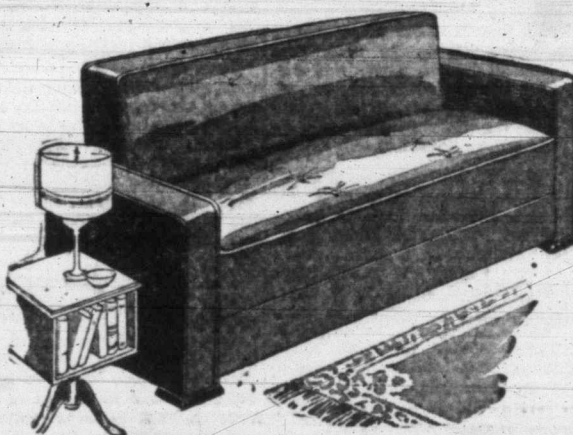
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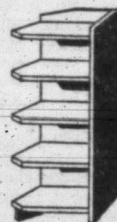
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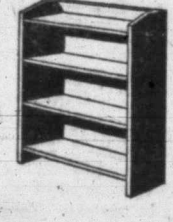
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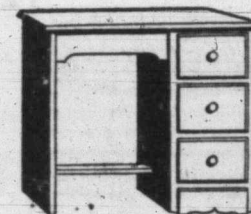


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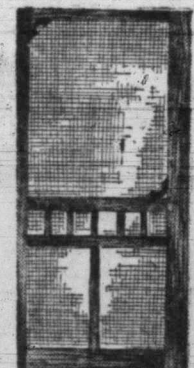


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Personals

Miss I. S. Durham and Miss Helen Griffin of Seattle are visiting at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Wilson of Tuxedo, Man., are visiting at the Empress Hotel.

Miss M. Mayer of New York City is a visitor at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Sheppard of Toronto are visiting at the Empress Hotel.

Dr. and Mrs. L. A. Danforth are visiting at the Empress Hotel from Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Herbert of Elora, Ont., have returned home after visiting at Oak Bay Beach Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Stone have returned to their home in Duncan after visiting at the Empress Hotel.

Brig. and Mrs. R. A. Wyman have returned to their home in Edmonton, after visiting in Victoria, Vancouver, and Los Angeles.

Mrs. Cecil French has returned to the Empress Hotel after spending several weeks in the east visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. French, in Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Veals of Vancouver have arrived in Victoria to attend the wedding this evening at St. John's Church of the former's sister, Miss Jean Veals and Cpl. Edward Howe, R.C.A.F. Mrs. Veals will attend the bride as matron of honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rogers, 113 Simcoe Street, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary at their home Wednesday, when many friends sent gifts and flowers. The couple were married Feb. 21, 1885, in Stockport, Cheshire, Eng. In 1887, they came to Canada, arriving in Victoria in 1895, where they stayed. Two years ago Mr. Rogers retired from the company with which he worked, Stevens Ltd.

Mrs. H. A. Hill entertained at a miscellaneous shower at her home, 1792 Lee Ave., in honor of her sister, Miss Helen Bergstrom, who is a March bride-elect. Among the guests were Mesdames R. Allan, E. N. Bergstrom, George Sinclair, K. Dumbarton, R. Morrow, Turnquist, F. Toms, Moscow, Forstrom, Lloyd Bergstrom, Fairall, Harrison, Peter Moen, Misses Doreen Toms, Gladys Hill, Daphne Fairall, Sue Harrison and Ann Sinclair.

Misses Muriel and Evelyn Wells entertained at their home on Belmont Avenue in honor of Miss Joyce Morrish whose marriage will take place early this month. Little Dorothy Wells and Kathleen Morrish dressed as a bride and groom presented the gifts to the bride-elect. Among the guests were Mesdames C. W. Morrish, F. Field, Mountain, F. Hooper, T. Heppell, H. Guy, C. Ferriday, L. Thornber, C. Thompson, A. Beadle, A. Cownden, G. Lang, A. Pettford, F. Middleton, A. Resall, F. Wilkinson, L. Kesler, E. G. Williams, I. Bentley, G. Rhodes, J. Wells, S. Fannock, and the Misses E. Middleton, M. Cooper, L. Fannock, M. Restall, M. Wilkinson, B. Mitchell, Masters Tom Hepple, Jim Wells and Doug Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Anderson, 847 Carrie Street, entertained a group of friends at Hampton Hall in honor of the 21st birthday of their only daughter, Betty. The evening was spent in games, dancing and community singing. Solos were rendered by Mrs. Charlton, and comic songs and whistling by Mrs. F. Thomas. Teacups were read by Mrs. A. Dawkin. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. B. Marchant, Mr. and Mrs. F. Webb, Mr. and Mrs. T. Hopgood, Mr. and Mrs. J. Notley, Mr. and Mrs. W. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. A. Jobling, Mr. and Mrs. R. Swift, Mr. and Mrs. B. Dwyer, Mr. and Mrs. F. Thomas, Mesdames W. Fish, Charlton, J. Gore, D. Porter, G. Fleming, Misses Yvonne Fisher, Mildred Duncan, Babs Fish, Jean Clark, Ann Duncan, Edith Norden, Shirley Fildew, Messrs. W. Dunn, Bill Elack, John Wingert, Daryl Nute, John Colton, Gerald Anderson, Vic Deschenes and George Weston.

Miss P. Barbour Heads Robert Burns McMicking Chapter

Miss Pearl Barbour was re-elected regent of the Robert Burns McMicking Chapter, I.O.D.E., at the annual meeting held at her home, 33 Howe Street, Mrs. A. H. C. Phipps, municipal regent; Mrs. F. E. Dowdall, and Mrs. P. E. Cunningham, also of Municipal Chapter, I.O.D.E., were guests at the meeting.

Other officers elected were first vice-regent, Miss Allison Chrow; second vice-regent, Miss Dorothy Locke; secretary, Miss Alice McDougall; treasurer, Miss Beth Littlehales; educational secretary, Miss Christine McNab; escheos, Mrs. F. Partridge; standard bearer, Miss Laura Tebo; councilors, Misses Tebo, Nita Hensley, Locke.

War services convener, Miss Connie Chrow, reported knitting meetings held during the year with a number of articles turned in to Municipal Chapter. Mrs. Eleanor Williams and Miss Hilda Margrets were in charge of the handicrafts stall at the joint I.O.D.E. garden party. Ten personal property bags were completed at a cost of \$19.90.

WORK FOR BLIND

Miss Nita Hensley, convener, reported on the tea held for the blind, this being the chapter's special work.

Members assisted in the collection of magazines and books under the convener'ship of Miss Tebo. Reports were also given by Mrs. Williams for Empire study; Miss Beth Littlehales, liaison officer for the W.P.T.B.; upkeep of veterans' graves, Miss Eileen Napper.

A bridge party was held when \$24.50 was realized and donations to various funds were made.

Treasurer, Miss Jessie Knight, reported total receipts of \$380.24, with disbursements of \$320.65.

Club Calendar

Victoria Chapter of Registered Nurses, Association, round-table panel discussion on "Should Practical Nurses Be Licensed?" Tuesday, 8, St. Joseph's Hospital.

St. John's W.A., afternoon branch, Tuesday, 2.30, school room. St. Luke's W.A. Thursday, 2.30, hall. A tea will be held at the home of Mrs. G. Hunter, Wednesday.

Camosun Chapter I.O.D.E., Friday, 2, headquarters. Victory Knitting Club of W.A. No. 65 to Typographical Union, Wednesday, 7.30, home of Mrs. W. E. Skett, 1722 Lee Avenue. Executive committee, 7.

Senior Afternoon Branch of Christ Church Cathedral W.A., Monday, 2.30, Memorial Hall; slides illustrating the study book will be shown. Canadian Daughters' League, Association No. 5, Thursday, 8, Women's Institute Rooms, Fort Street.

Second Mile Club, Tuesday, 8, home of Mrs. F. Worthy, 1616 Belmont Avenue.

St. Saviour's W.A., Evening Branch, social, Monday evening, home of Mrs. B. Smith, 852 Selkirk Avenue. Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 1, I.O.O.F., Tuesday, 7.30, miscellaneous shower for coming bazaar. Business and Professional Women's Club, International Night, Monday, 8, clubrooms. Maj. John P. Simon will speak on "The Future Through the Looking-glass of Foreign Affairs." Also international music and a book display.

Women of the Moose, Victoria Chapter, No. 25, Monday, 7.30, social meeting, K. of P. Hall. Old-time dancing, 8.30, contests in smaller hall.

Y.P. Societies

St. Mary's A.Y.P.A.—A work night followed the last business meeting with Dick Davenport presiding.

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REGT. ASSN.

All members of the regiment (past and present) are requested to attend the general meeting, Britannia Branch, Canadian Legion, 8 p.m. February 26.

To Make Home in Victoria



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Weddings

COWARD-BERRY

The marriage took place quietly Friday evening at St. Alban's Church, in the presence of immediate relatives, of Eleanor Elizabeth, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Berry, 1841 Chestnut Street, and William Jackson Coward, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Coward, 2877 Colquitz Avenue. Archdeacon H. A. Collison officiated.

The bride was given in marriage by her mother, owing to the absence, through illness, of her father. Mrs. S. Fraser Jr. attended her sister as matron of honor, and Vernon Groves was groomsmen.

Mrs. B. S. Heisterman Heads Y.W.C.A. Board

Mrs. B. S. Heisterman was elected president of the board of directors of the Y.W.C.A. at the meeting held Friday in the clubrooms.

Other officers of the board are: First vice-president, Mrs. W. G. Hamilton; second vice-president, Mrs. J. D. Hunter; treasurer, Mrs. Duncan MacBride; corresponding secretary, Mrs. W. Halliday; recording secretary, Mrs. S. H. Frame; finance convener, Mrs. A. C. Brand; two other members, Mrs. F. A. Lindsay and Miss Isla Tuck.

Committee chairman include: Travelers' Aid, Mrs. R. J. Wride; girls' program, Mrs. Alastair Campbell; house and dining room, Mrs. W. G. Hamilton; personnel, Mrs. S. H. Frame; membership, Mrs. M. Aubrey Kent; social and hospitality, Mrs. F. A. Lindsay; nominating, Mrs. Duncan MacBride, and war services, Mrs. J. D. Hunter.

Members of the advisory committee are: David McMillan, John L. Clay, Rev. J. L. W. McLean, Raymond Jones and Duncan MacBride.

Mrs. Heisterman introduced five new members: Mrs. Raymond Foster, Miss Isla Tuck, Mrs. D. D. McTavish, Mrs. W. G. Wilson and Mrs. Robert Armstrong.

Miss Margaret Wightman, general secretary, announced plans are being made for the visit of Miss Louise Gates, national general secretary, Mar. 7.

Announcement was also made of the Little Theatre play, "The Willow and I," to be held March 17 by the Inter-Club Council.

Clubwomen

Members of the Flower Guild of the Metropolitan United Church met at the home of Mrs. H. C. Steele, St. Ann's Street, with Mrs. Herbert Pendray presiding. Refreshments were served following the business. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. H. T. Knott, Linden Avenue.

Miss Mildred Wright spoke to members of the Evening Group, First United Church, on "The Work of the Children's Aid Society," at the meeting held at the home of Mrs. Roy Lund, Elford Street. As a project for 1945, the group plan to make over clothes for children in England.

Welsh Banquet

Victoria Welsh Society will hold a banquet on St. David's Day, Thursday, at 7, in Terry's dining room. A program has been arranged with Rev. T. G. Griffiths acting as chairman. Among those taking part will be Mrs. A. Pedneault, S. B. Evans, solos; Miss Marjorie Kemball, pianoforte solo; Stan James and Eddie Davies, comedy act; Bob Thomas, recitation; a girls' choir and the Welsh Glee Party. Reservations may be made by phoning Mrs. A. Pedneault, G 8985.

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Other reports were given by educational secretary, Mrs. F. R. Moore; Echoes, Mrs. C. T. Teasdale; standard bearer, Mrs. R. Mackie; work in India, Miss E. King; ex-servicemen, Mrs. E. Dakers; magazines, Mrs. Mackie; war savings stamps, Mrs. P. D. Dutot; flower fund, Mrs. J. Cook.

Red Cross Notes

Bamberton—A silver tea was held in Bamberton when the sum of \$30.44 was realized through the tea and sale of homemade candy. Sir Henry Drayton spoke.

Brentwood—The telephone bridge party netted the sum of \$110. During the week the Saanichton Unit held a tea at the home of Dr. McKickan, which realized \$40. Bridge prizes were donated by Mrs. H. R. Gale, Mrs. G. H. May and the Hudson Bay Co.

Lake Hill—General meeting will be held Tuesday at 2.30. Tentative plans are being made for an Easter tea to be held April 4 at the home of Mrs. A. E. Evans, Reynolds Road. Members of the unit will canvass the Lake Hill district during the Red Cross campaign in March.

Jubilee Nurse Joins R.C.A.M.C.



Miss Vivian Denham, daughter of Mrs. T. Lumsden, 2470 Central Avenue, who has joined the Royal Canadian Army Medical Corps and will leave for Vancouver Monday for posting. Miss Denham is a 1943 graduate of the Royal Jubilee Hospital School of Nursing.

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Sir Henry Drayton Talks of Red Cross to Women Canvassers

"The end of the war will increase the work of the Red Cross and because the war news is good, it is not a time to slack," said Sir Henry Drayton, chairman of the Red Cross campaign, when he addressed women canvassers and workers at a meeting held in the Y.W.C.A. Friday. He went on to tell of the 17,000,000 people in Europe on the verge of starvation.

"Humanity demands more than ever before," said Sir Henry, "and the government have the advantage of the Red Cross experience and executive to assist in the buying and handling of the things needed. The International Red Cross has no bounds, and is just as much at home in the enemy countries as in the Allied countries," he said. He spoke of the way in which the Red Cross helps in every emergency, either during war time or peace, and in many isolated spots where medical aid is unobtainable.

Frank Paulding, Red Cross Campaign director, spoke of the coming Red Cross drive, and explained to the many canvassers and captains of groups how the drive was being organized. He told them that the biggest factor in an undertaking of this kind was to have adequate campaign personnel to make it successful.

EXPLAINS CARDS

He described the use of the cards, and explained that there was one for each person, and that on that card the amount donated should be placed. "It is not the cash donations alone that are wanted, but broken payments," he said. "It is better to have pledges and less cash, because pledges mean higher payments." He told of the Prisoner of War parcels being only \$2.75, and that each one means a longer life for those in the camps.

A movie explaining the workings of the Red Cross in Geneva and the exact way in which many missing men and prisoners are located and their whereabouts sent to the next-of-kin as soon as possible.

The division is under the chairmanship of Mrs. J. W. Benning, with Mrs. G. Hall as vice-president.

The cards, kits and other material necessary for the drive were distributed to the captains and their workers.

Dorothy Dix

DEAR DOROTHY DIX — My girl friend is married to her boss. This is a secret unknown to the girls under him with whom she works. He is so madly in love with her that he fools around with all the other girls to make her jealous and to keep himself in a romantic mood. She sees all of this and naturally objects to it, but he refuses to stop his philandering. Worry over it is ruining her health, yet he will not give her up.

I think he is a heel. What do you think of him? FRIEND.

ANSWER — I quite agree with you that the man is the lowest type of a heel, but if your friend falls for his flimsy alibi that the reason he has affairs with other girls is to keep himself in a romantic mood for her, she must be not only the world's greatest easy mark, but lacks the backbone and the spunk that God promised a woman.

THE GREAT LOVER

Doubtless the contemptible cad considers himself a great lover and thinks he has to keep up his technique by practicing it on every girl with whom he is thrown in contact, but that is cold comfort for his wife, who, naturally, expects him to concentrate his affections on her, and who takes no pride in his skill as a lady-killer.

The young man seems to have no reason for keeping his marriage a secret, except that it leaves him free to carry on flirtations with other young women. And what his wife should do is to call his bluff about being single, though married. Without his knowledge or consent she should announce the marriage publicly, which will probably make him furious, but will put a crimp in his romantic tendencies.

If he really loved his wife, or had any sense of decency, he would not have forced her into a secret marriage. He would have been proud to have acknowledged her as his wife before everyone. He would not have put her in the position of having everyone suspect her of being one of his many mistresses.

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P.T.A. News

Monterey — A candlelighting ceremony will mark Founder's Day at the next meeting Tuesday at 8 in the school auditorium. Mayor P. E. George and Mrs. E. M. Lorimer will officiate. Lieut. Louis Le Bourdais, M.L.A. for Cariboo, will speak on "Early Days in British Columbia." Colin Martin, chairman of the school board, will introduce the speaker. Spring tea and sale of work will be held in the school auditorium March 14 from 3 to 5:30. Proceeds will be used for equipment at the school. Donations for the tea or stall will be received by the following conveners: Tea, Mrs. T. Akam, E7239; miscellaneous stall, Mrs. E. B. Curtis, B2924; Mrs. R. Jackson, B2404; lucky dip, Mrs. W. Bell, E2509; Mrs. R. S. Yates, E3473; Mrs. L. R. Harper presented the badminton cup to girls of grades 7 and 8, and the attendance prize to Miss Muford's class. Sum of \$30 was subscribed to the school library for magazines.

Miss Snyder Lectures To Oak Bay Art Club

A lecture was given by Miss G. Snyder on "Early Art" to the members of the Art Club of the Oak Bay Community Centre. "Impressionism dates back as far as 10,000 years," she said, "the artists of the coast of Spain seem to be striving to tell stories of dancing and hunting by the use of curious and sometimes beautiful shapes. Another group of artists in Africa, she said, 'strive merely to represent pictures of animals on rocks and a third group, the Paleolithic artists, of France and northern Spain tried not merely to represent animals for decoration or ritual purposes, but to express life itself through the medium of paint.' The lecture was supplemented by mounted illustrations and slides. Paintings were exhibited by the following club members: Mesdames D. Reid, P. Fletcher, F. Roe, V. Davies, H. Rice-Jones, Greville Jones, Misses G. Snider, M. Nickerson and Betty Moss. Miss Moyra Mulholland showed two examples of her modeling. Wednesday the club will study watercolor work and composition with instruction.

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Log of The House

BY LESLIE FOX

Attorney-General R. L. "Pat" Maitland, in private practice, is as able a prosecutor as he is counsel for the defence. Friday in the Legislature he assumed the prosecutor role and placed the C.C.F. Party at the bar under indictment. How good a case he made will be decided some time hence by the voters, who in this case are judge and jury.

Hunching his shoulders, and rubbing the palms of his hands together, as he made his points, Mr. Maitland gave the "prisoner" a lengthy grilling. His voice rose to an extreme pitch as he shouted that a C.C.F. Party in power would mean destruction and blue ruin for the sound and safe postwar plans the coalition government has laid because it would shake the province's financial credit.

HE TAKLES THEM INDIVIDUALLY, TOO

His indictment embraced the Opposition as a whole. But he picked them out individually, too. Opposition Leader Harold Winch, he said, couldn't find fault with the government's policy so dug up the old E. & N. land agreement. Wallace Lefebvre he called a fixed socialist—yes, perhaps the only real one in the C.C.F.—who believed any crazy thing they advocated. He went after Herbert Gargrave and twitted him about his alleged admission the coalition was B.C.'s best government. He told Mrs. Laura Jamieson to stop reading her book and listen to him tell about the big plans for U.B.C. And he almost wept that Grant MacNeill of Vancouver-Burrard wasn't in the House to hear his reply to Mr. MacNeill's charge that the Throne Speech was a "masterpiece of political evasion."

In general he called them "my friends across the road," but grilled them point by point on the C.C.F. record since taking power in Saskatchewan. He quoted figures to show B.C.'s social services were much better. He called their propaganda "Pie in the Sky." And why, he asked, can't Saskatchewan do what it wants? Because it needs money. And you can't get money unless you've got credit. If you're a socialist or a holy-roller, said Mr. Maitland, you've still got to realize that finance plays a big part in carrying out government policy. Saskatchewan hasn't got the credit. Even their own people won't invest in a government loan. So far as he could see they have their feet "firmly planted in mid-air."

Who ruined Saskatchewan's credit? Interjected Mr. Gargrave. Was it the C.C.F. or the previous government? Mr. Maitland rapped back quickly. Nobody heard about ruined credit in the election campaign, he said. The C.C.F. had promised to do big things then. They never warned anybody about credit troubles then.

COALITION IS PROVED AND STAYS WITH US

This gave Mr. Maitland a chance to pay a worthy tribute to his associate and leader, Premier John Hart. B.C. can do the things people want, he said. B.C. can get money. A 3 per cent bond issue would be snapped up in a moment. And why? Because Premier Hart was a living example of the fact that when your finances are well handled your credit is good. Even some people in the public galleries added their applause to the thumps on the coalition benches at this praise.

Here Mr. Maitland, who is the provincial Progressive Conservative leader, made a statement which was taken as a pledge that Coalition will continue in B.C. There are some, he said, who hope the Dominion election will break down the coalition structure which has stood up so well. But, he said, for three years now the two groups have risen above the strife of partisanship. As they have stood in those three years they will continue to stand.

The government, he said, is strong because it is a coalition. It has won the people's confidence. It was an experiment to begin with. Today the experiment is a success.

For a moment it was thought



ATTORNEY-GENERAL R. L. MAITLAND

C.C.F. feet firmly planted in mid-air.

He was going to divulge the government's election plans. But with the astuteness of an experienced politician he said the election will be "settled by time and conditions which best fit in with the public interest."

A GREAT TRIBUTE TO FINE CITIZENSHIP

In other parts of his speech the Attorney-General paid a finely-worded tribute to the 64,000 people who have given their time voluntarily in civil defence work. When men, ordinary men, he said, take time out in fair weather and foul to freely serve their fellows in the public interest, there work is an indication of the finest citizenship. I pause, said Mr. Maitland, to salute them.

He followed this with high praise for the Pacific Coast Militia Rangers, another fine volunteer group. They, he said, brought peace of mind to many of the coast settlements. Though too old to go on active service, they stood ready, come what may. As a whole, he said, B.C. is under obligation to them.

After Mr. Maitland had finished the House ended the opening debate by passing the motion which thanks His Honor for the Throne Speech. Then Premier Hart put through the preliminary motions which mean the budget is coming down on Monday.

Suggest Assessing Timber Annually

Practicability of the assessment of parcels of timberland annually with a view to prevailing log prices, as a government policy, was raised by Chief Justice Gordon McGe Sloan, royal commissioner, at the hearing of the Forest Inquiry.

John T. Clark, surveyor of taxes, to whom a question was directed on the matter, replied that such a suggestion should be taken into consideration. He was being queried on timberland assessments.

"Under the present system the Crown might be losing money," Chief Justice Sloan commented. Mr. Clark said he could not reply to that until an appraisal was made.

H. W. Davey, counsel for the commission, asked Mr. Clark if he would recommend that a re-survey of timberlands be made in order to have "the assessed value more nearly reflect the real value." Mr. Clark replied that while he could not say he would recommend that, he would recommend that his department get in closer touch with timberland owners.

Labor Urges Vote For 18-Year-Olds

Expanding the franchise in municipal elections to 18-year-olds and all registered householders, and abolition of the poll tax, were urged Friday by a labor lobby group meeting the municipal affairs committee of the B.C. Legislature.

The lobby, a sub-committee of the B.C. executive of the Trades and Labor Congress, also advocated obligatory all-day closing of businesses when asked by 75 per cent or more of the businesses involved and licensing and bonding of contractors in the building trades.

The resolutions will be forwarded for consideration to the Union of B.C. Municipalities committee, which will meet the legislative committee next Thursday for annual discussions.

Relationship of the committee to the municipal union was discussed after the delegation had left to confer with the cabinet. The committee was told no legislation affecting municipalities was put forward without first notifying the municipalities.

Balking at what he called a "verbal spanking" after A. Will, Vancouver, representing the Street Railwaymen's Union, charged the resolutions had not been given full consideration, L. H. Eyres, chairman, said it was not the intention of the committee to discuss the resolutions then.

Licensing and bonding of contractors was suggested to alleviate incompetent men entering the trade, and to exclude contractors without sufficient financial backing. Delegates charged that builders were evading income taxes and the Minimum Wage Act and Workmen's Compensation Act regulations.

The proposal would also control unfair competition, the delegates said, and would assure contractors would fulfill obligations to owners and workers.

Municipalities Seek Postwar Details

R. W. Mayhew, M.P., will be asked by the four municipalities of Greater Victoria to seek details from the government as to what help it is prepared to extend to municipalities for rehabilitation of returning servicemen and war workers. Mayor Percy George said today.

Mayor George announced the decision following a conference with Reeves E. C. Warren, Saanich; W. L. Woodhouse, Oak Bay, and Thomas Hadfield, Esquimalt. The mayor said the municipalities

would ask an outline of the responsibility the government would take for returned servicemen, and also of the financial aid it might give in providing new work for war workers.

A building permit has been issued to A. F. Graham to erect a five-room dwelling at 2611 Fernwood Road, value \$4,850.

"Business Procedure and the Art of Chairmanship," will be the topic of H. B. Howard when he addresses the C&ED class at the Y.M.C.A. Monday evening at 7.30.

Red Cross Workers Ready for Action

Sixty workers of the industrial division for the Red Cross drive, which will carry on March 5 to 24, received their kits and instructions at a dinner meeting in the Y.W.C.A.

Chairman F. A. E. Manning said the quota had been set at \$5,000, but he made a strong plea for the workers to bring in more.

Frank Paulding explained canvassing procedure and stressed



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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

VICTORIA is to be congratulated on staging such a fine basketball tournament and you can quote me on that," said Pop Haggerty, well-known Port Angeles sports official who is in the city acting as one of the referees for the international cage tournament at the Willows. "It's really a fine show and I sure appreciate being invited over here to work. Having worked in the football games here last fall and now appearing again as a cage official makes me look on this city as kind of a second home town. You fellows have really gone first class in this basketball event and I hope the sports fans of Victoria realize just how fine a promotion job has been put across. One could not see better basketball anywhere and the teams appearing here would draw in Madison Square Garden."

THE OTHER DAY in New York one of sports most colorful figures in the person of Bill Tilden, celebrated his 52nd birthday. Tilden has been winning tennis tournaments for 35 years and is still active on the courts. Now teaching the stars of Hollywood, Tilden appears regularly in exhibition matches for the servicemen. Tilden was asked to name the greatest tennis player he ever saw.

FOR 365 DAYS out of the year, Don Budge," he replied. "He was superior to Ellsworth Vines and demonstrated it. Vines could obtain a higher peak, but not often. Sustained quality is greatness. When Vines was bad he was awful. Even when he was off, Budge was great. The test of a champion is the ability to prevail when he is not right. Rather surprising is Tilden rating Baron Gottfried Von Cramm, the German star, directly behind Budge, but this may be excused on the grounds they were great friends.

SUSANNE LENGLEN stood out as the best of the women players in the opinion of Tilden. He lists Alice Marble, Mrs. Helen Wills Moody, Korky and Helen Hull Jacobs behind the French star. "Miss Marble came closest to playing tennis like a man," says Tilden, "but Miss Lenglen would pass her when she came in. Suzanne always had use of the fore court. I doubt that Alice could get to the net against her and she couldn't be held from back court." Tilden has picked up 20 pounds so the tag "Big Bill" fits him better now than it did in his heyday, when no more than 160 pounds was spread over his 6-foot-1½-inch frame. Babe Ruth is in carpet slippers. Jack Dempsey has long since hung up the gloves. Bobby Jones now plays only an occasional game of golf. But Bill Tilden still gets that ball back across the net.

EVIDENCE that Victoria boys away from home still take an interest in the doings in the old home town is seen by the announcement today by the Citizens' Arena Committee of two more donations from lads in the armed forces. From Lieut. Bill Halkett, at H.M.C.S. Cornwallis came a cheque for \$10 while Lieut. Jack Woodley, H.M.C.S. Ottawa, sent along \$25. Both lads wished the committee all the success in the world in its efforts to provide this city with a new skating rink.

Five Major Ice Tilts

Rangers At Toronto

The five National Hockey League games this week-end won't change the standing of the top three teams—Montreal, Detroit and Toronto—but they are vital to the playoff hopes of the other three—Boston, New York and Chicago.

New York Rangers play at Toronto tonight and they entertain Boston Sunday. Toronto visits Montreal Sunday and Chicago plays a home-and-home series with Detroit.

A double victory for Rangers would boost them into the fourth place playoff berth, a game ahead of Boston. If Chicago wins twice they'll be within a game of Boston. If Rangers lost twice however, Boston's grip on the last playoff spot will be secure, and Hawks would be in a fifth-place tie.

Rangers, in view of the sound 5 to 3 thrashing they handed Detroit Thursday and the fact Toronto hasn't won in four starts,

Young Victorian Unknown Captures Army Ring Title

ALDERSHOT, Eng. (CP)—A young unknown, L.Cpl. Andrew Anderson, of Victoria, B.C., slashed through three furious rounds with one of Canada's best-known amateur boxers Friday night, stepped from the ring as 1945 featherweight champion of the Canadian army in the United Kingdom and revealed he had never been in a ring until a couple of months ago.

What's more, Anderson, member of an armored car reinforcement unit who took the verdict over Joe Gagnon, of Montreal, said he didn't care if he ever stepped inside a ring again.

BELOW STANDARD — The championships failed to reach the standard of former years, mainly because many of Canada's best boxers are with the army in Europe. There was little attempt at scientific boxing.

Other champions, crowned were:

Heavyweight, Capt. Les Willocks, Calgary.
Light heavyweight, Gnr. Jack Hemphill, Woodstock, N.B.
Middleweight, Staff Sgt. Bill Calhoun, Lethbridge, Alta.
Welterweight, Bdr. Charlie Pyle, New Waterford, N.S.
Bantam, Gnr. Jack Storey, Windsor, Ont.
Lightweight, Pte. Danny Saunders, Hamilton, Ont.

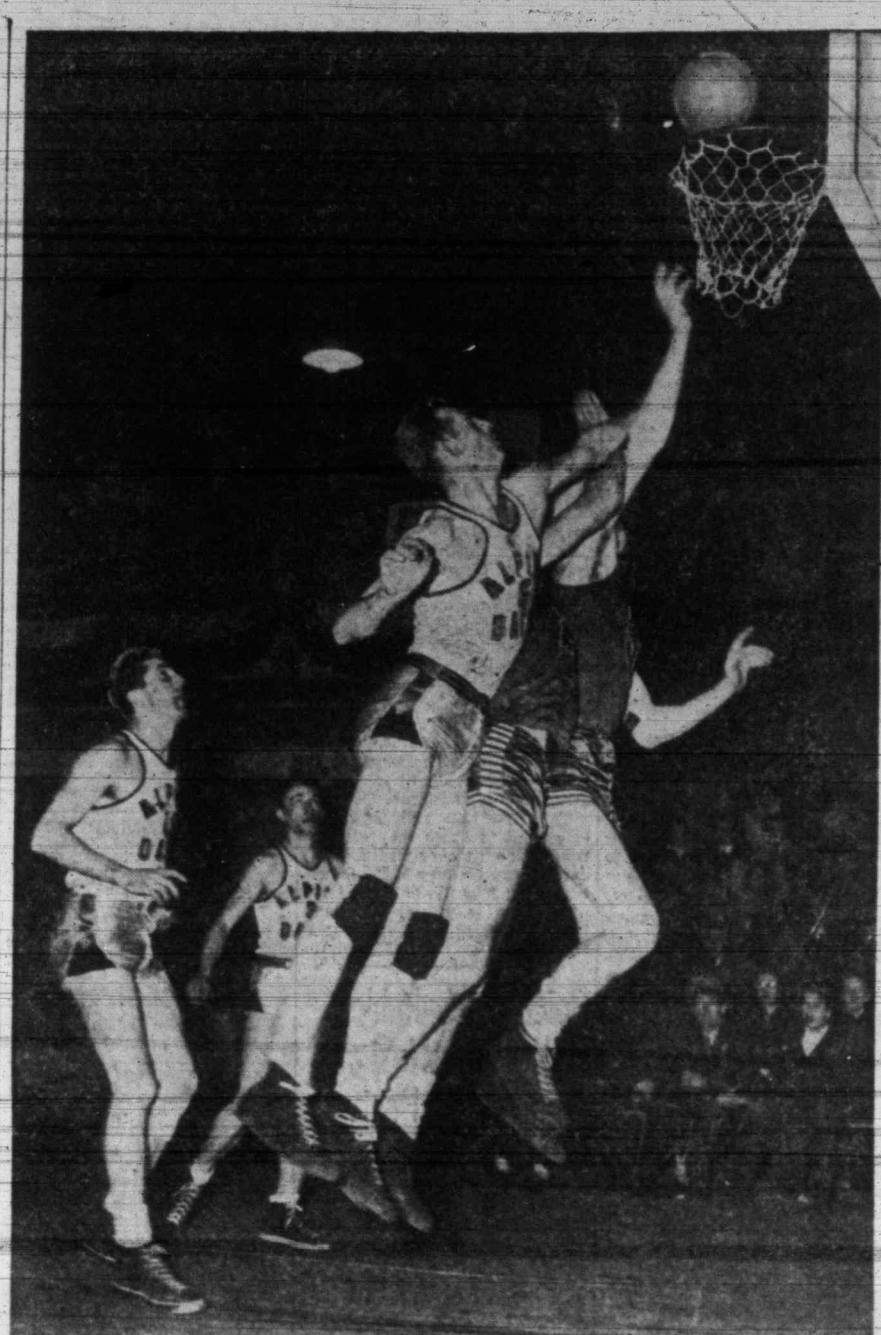
Nanaimo Clippers Defeat Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CP)—The league-leading Nanaimo Clippers Friday night defeated Vancouver Arrows 5 to 3 in a Pacific Coast Junior Hockey League game here.

Clippers had to come from behind a 1 to 0 deficit in the first period. They scored three goals in the second session while allowing the Arrows only one and after Vancouver evened the count at 3 to 3 early in the third had to set up a stonewall defence to hold off all further attempts while scoring twice themselves.

Norm Kirk and Ron Koehle each netted two for Nanaimo and Jim Malley got the other. Ron Dalzell, Hal Somerton and Pete Urchenko counted for Vancouver.

are conceded a chance of moving in on Boston. They'll have Neil Colville in uniform at Toronto tonight.



BASKETBALL ACTION—Some idea of the fight that takes place for possession of the ball around the basket can be seen in the above picture taken last night at the Willows during the tournament game between Seattle Alpine Dairy and Pat Bay Gremlins. Alpines won 29 to 24. In the foreground is Bob Graf, big centre of the Alpines attempting to reach up to push the ball into the hoop. Two Pat Bay boys in front of him are Pop Pay and Norm Baker, while standing off watching the struggle are Ross Werner and Willie Hilton of Alpines.

Robinson's Table Tennis Champs

Dawson Top Player

Teams have completed their league matches in the senior division of the Victoria and District Table Tennis schedule, with Giants and Tommy Tuckers tied for the fourth and final play-off berth. These two teams will play off, the winner to make the play-off spot, along with the three leading teams, Robinson's Grocery, Chinese Students and the Hudson's Bay.

This season's league play has been the closest in the history of the association, and has featured close and exciting battles throughout the entire schedule. All eight squads will participate in the play-off, but only the first four will be eligible for the Wenger team trophy and individual cups.

Completing their play with a fine victory over the Giants, 24 to 12, Robinsons took top place with 12 victories and two defeats for 24 points. Chinese Students, defending titleholders, finished second, one point back, with 11 won and a draw in 14 tilts. The favored Hudson's Bay took third place, downing Duntz Head Battery 23 to 13 in their final game to nose out the Giants and Tommy Tuckers. Tuckers drew with Cubs, 18 all, to pick up a point on the Giants, and force the play-off for fourth place. MacDonalds finished next, followed by Duntz Head and Cubs.

BREAKS LEAGUE RECORD — Ray Dawson, city and club singles titleholder, added another cup to his rapidly growing collection, as he completed his regular league matches with a mark of 108 games won and four lost, a percentage of .964, to capture the trophy for the leading individual performer for the league play. Ray's mark bettered Ab Renfrew's 1941 record, and becomes the best average since the present type of league play was started in 1937.

In the closest race in many seasons, Ruth Payne nosed out Barbara Mackay for the women's trophy. Barbara led with one match to go, but Ruth's seven games against the Giants boosted her mark to .696, against .680 for

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Fort Lewis, Alpines In Basketball Final

Flashy Fort Lewis Warriors, Pacific Northwest service champions, and Seattle Alpine Dairy, northwest A.A.U. titleholders, will battle tonight at the Willows for the championship of Victoria's first international invitation basketball tournament.

In the opening games last night, played before an enthusiastic crowd of around 1,500, the Warriors, led by their two sharp-shooting stars, Gale Bishop and Don Tucker, smothered Seattle Colored Bombers 80 to 38, while Alpines turned back Pat Bay Gremlins 29 to 24.

First game this evening, starting at 8:30, will see the Gremlins tackle the Colored Bombers to determine third position in the tournament. Warriors-Alpines fracas should get under way shortly after 9:30.

Alpines stated after their win last night they would be strengthened for tonight's final by the arrival today of Johnny Katika and Jackie O'Neil, two of their regulars, who were unable to get over for the opening night. Tim McCullough, Seattle, and Pop Haggerty, Port Angeles, will referee tonight.

MISS ANDREWS

Forced to take the floor without the services of George (Porky) Andrews, who is still recovering from an attack of the flu, the Gremlins lacked their usual drive. The Pat Bay club missed the smart floor play of the former University of Oregon star, who has also been one of their leading scorers all season. It is possible Andrews may strip tonight.

Alpines, playing their slow-breaking style, and taking a lot of time to shake a player loose before attempting a shot, won the game in the final quarter, when they pushed up eight points while holding the Gremlins to a lone basket by Norm Baker, veteran Tommy Werner, coach and manager of the Alpines, came out of retirement and turned in a smart exhibition to rack up eight valuable points. His brother, Ross, was high scorer for Alpines with nine. Centre Pop Pay led the Gremlins with eight.

With both clubs electing to play cautiously, the first quarter ended with the score deadlocked 7 to 7. Three baskets by Pay, and singles by Baker and Stout, gave the Gremlins a two-point lead at half-time, 17 to 15. Alpines outscored the Gremlins 6 to 5 in the third quarter, leaving the Flyers with a single-point advantage at three-quarter time.

Final quarter opened with Ross Werner pushing up a two-pointer, from in front, to give Alpines a 23 to 22 lead. Tommy Werner made it 23 to 22 and Jack Voelker followed with one from under to hoop to give the Seattle club a five-point edge with four and a half minutes to play. Tommy Werner sank a free throw following which Baker dropped through the Gremlins' only basket of the quarter. Haweell's free throw ended the scoring for the game as Alpines held possession of the ball for the last two minutes with some smart ball handling.

SOME REAL SCORING

With Gale Bishop, leading scorer in the United States this season, turning in another dazzling exhibition to score 31 points and Don Tucker proving a good scoring partner with 25, Fort Lewis had no trouble winning their semifinal. Bishop ran his season's total to 911 points for 38 games.

With a big team that controlled a great percentage of the rebounds the Warriors packed altogether too much scoring power and class for the Colored Bombers. After moving into a 15 to 5 margin in the first quarter it was just a case of how big an edge the Warriors would pile up. They were in front 35 to 23 to the half and 48 to 30 at three-quarter time. Warriors outscored the Bombers 22 to 8 in the final quarter.

Ernie Stock, president of the Victoria and District Basketball Association, tossed up the ball to officially open the tournament. Garrison Band under Bandmaster Bowers entertained before the start of the games and supplied the marching music for the

Box Scores

Box scores of last night's tournament basketball games follow:

FORT LEWIS				
Guarabon	FG	FT	PF	Pt.
Tucker	12	1	1	26
Davis	9	6	0	1
Kensley	3	0	0	6
Payser	1	1	2	2
Guddagnini	1	0	2	0
Bishop	12	7	2	21
Totals	24	12	14	50

COLORED BOMBERS				
Thompson	FG	FT	PF	Pt.
Life	2	2	1	6
Davis	0	0	0	0
Williams	0	0	0	0
Briggs	0	1	1	2
Marjola	0	0	0	0
Mulliken	0	0	0	0
Walker	0	0	0	0
Totals	17	4	13	28

ALPINE DAIKY				
Hilton	FG	FT	PF	Pt.
Graf	0	0	0	0
McGregor	0	0	0	0
Hawwell	0	0	0	0
T. Werner	0	0	0	0
R. Werner	4	1	1	9
Voelker	0	0	0	0
Totals	10	1	1	24

PAT BAY GREMLINS				
Pay	FG	FT	PF	Pt.
Les	2	1	1	5
Phelan	0	0	0	0
Payser	4	0	2	8
R. Baker	1	0	1	2
Stout	1	0	1	2
McKachie	0	0	0	0
R. Baker	0	0	0	0
Totals	11	2	12	24

Naval Cadets Take Senior Rugby Title

With the United Services unable to field a team for their scheduled match today with Royal Canadian Naval College the Cadets were Friday declared senior city rugby champions. The collegians take possession of the Barnard Cup and the right to travel to Vancouver to meet the mainland winners for the Rounsefel Cup.

SOCCER SUNDAY

An exhibition football match between James Bay Combines and an Indian team will be played at Victoria West Park tomorrow afternoon, starting at 2.

GRID PRACTICE

A general workout for Canadian football players will be held at Central Park tomorrow morning, at 10:30.

A meeting of the Canadian Football League will be held at St. Louis College Monday evening at 8.15.

Victoria Girls Drill team during the interval between the two contests.

Pop Haggerty, Port Angeles, and Carl Coates, Victoria, refereed.

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Believe Fishermen Washed Overboard

With no further trace of Brian May and Harold Cain, Victoria fishermen missing since Feb. 10, B.C. police now believe there is no doubt the two men were washed overboard in heavy seas and were drowned. Their wrecked trawler, the 33-foot Cuna Chief, was found by the U.S. Coast Guard about 20 miles west of Port Angeles earlier this week.

Flt. Lieut. F. V. Painter, D.F.C., of Victoria is among a group of British Columbia men arriving from overseas at the repatriation depot at Lachine, Que., this week.

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Red Cross Part Of Canadian Life Says Jackson Dodds

Red Cross is an integral part of Canadian life and its flag has come to mean something to Canadians, both at home and abroad, said W. Jackson Dodds, O.B.E., chairman of the Central Council of the Canadian Red Cross, who arrived with Mrs. Dodds in Victoria today.

One of Mr. Dodds' first calls this morning was to Government House and he will be in Victoria for about a week.

Prior to coming here, he attended Red Cross meetings in Vancouver.

Mr. Dodds spoke of the tremendous scope of Red Cross activities and said that if Canadians were to accept their obligations it was up to them "to step out a generous hand" in the forthcoming campaign.

"Canadian Red Cross is in need of \$10,000,000 to purchase materials, and keep all the functions of this vast organization operating," he said.

One of the important services of the society which will loom large in the days ahead is the building of comfortable Red Cross Lodges alongside the military hospitals, Mr. Dodds said.

In these lodges the next-of-kin of patients may come and meet them in honey surroundings and relatives may stay overnight if need be.

Mr. Dodds will address the Gyro Club at the Empress Monday.

Check-off Request Refused Unions

Harold Winch, Opposition Leader in the Legislature, today gave notice he will attempt to force the labor union check-off demand and other proposals into the House, by having the labor committee hear delegations making the requests.

This follows a Vancouver labor delegation's interview with the provincial cabinet Friday when it is reported, the union demand for check-off was rejected.

Mrs. Hazel Wisdom, 3174 Harriet Road, was treated for minor bruises and scratches at Royal Jubilee Hospital Friday afternoon following a collision at Montreal and Ontario Streets between her car and a car driven by J. J. Blakeney, 48 Obed Avenue.

Discuss Vote for 18-Year-Olds

"Should 18-year-olds Be Given the Vote?" was the topic which drew a cross-section of Victoria's young people to the Trades and Labor Hall for a meeting sponsored by the Youth Commission Friday evening. There were representatives from Victoria College, C.C.F. Youth Movement, Labor Youth Federation, Youth Action Committee, A.Y.P.A., Trades and Labor Council, Y.M.C.A. So-Ed group, Y.W.C.A. and E.T.A.

They listened to four speeches on the subject and showed keen interest by applauding points they approved and by asking the speakers questions when they had concluded their remarks. They had plenty of ideas, too, and expressed them during the discussion period.

Ralph Ainslow, Victoria College student, said the Criminal Code makes no distinction between men and women of 21 and 18. There was a distinct gap between the period when most young people complete their education and the time when they have a chance to put the ideas gained into practice. This gap, he claimed, causes apathy on their part.

"Scientists," said Mr. Ainslow, "say as a fact that the human mind reaches full development at 16 and the peak of intelligence at 18. Teen-age boys are nightly flying over Germany and bringing bombers back safely. They are in the infantry when they must make split-second decisions. Yet people say they haven't enough sense to cast a ballot."

INTEREST IN POLITICS
Jim McAree, who is active in the C.C.Y.M., said the average age of his group was 15 and they all showed a keen interest in politics. He said that being 18 when the war ended would mean being old enough to face the responsibilities of reconstruction. Any

Café Convicted On Wage Violations

Terry's (1939) Ltd. were found guilty by Magistrate H. C. Hall in city police court Friday on four charges of violating a 1943 wage ceiling order.

O. B. Taylor, president and manager of the company, told Magistrate Hall "it is common knowledge that Victoria and Vancouver restaurants avoid

Regional War Labor Board wage ceilings by paying additional money on the side." He charged the R.W.L.B. had done "absolutely nothing to clear up this pernicious system."

The magistrate told J.B. Clearhue, prosecutor here for the Dominion government, the statements made by Mr. Taylor were serious and said a reply should be made to them.

Charges were that the company paid Douglas G. Long, chef, \$37.45 for a 48-hour week, instead of \$38.95; Chow Chick Qual, first cook, \$49.95 instead of \$33.95; Frank Yuen, second cook, \$43.95 instead of \$30.95, and Harry Chan pantryman, \$35.35 instead of \$25.95.

Mr. Clearhue said he would ask imposition of the minimum fine of \$100 and would agree to a suspended sentence in the other three charges. The magistrate answered he might consider giving a suspended sentence in all cases next Wednesday.

Recover Stolen Boat

Reported stolen from Selkirk water at 4 Friday morning, the \$3,500, 32-foot vessel, Manila, was found by Cpl. Cecil Pearce, Saanich police, in the afternoon, off Mount Douglas Beach. It was manned by a juvenile.

Opens Radio Service Here

CPO. HARRY D. DAVIS who recently received his discharge from the Royal Canadian Navy after 14 years in the service, four in the present war, two of which were spent on the high seas. He also saw service in the last war as a member of the Royal Canadian Engineers.

In 1919 Mr. Davis came to Victoria to live, and here his family of three daughters and one son have grown up.

Mr. Davis has a thorough knowledge of radio repair work and now that he is back in civilian life he plans to open a radio service business in the city. "Having served Canada in two wars," he says, "I feel sure I can well and truly serve the people of Victoria as a good radio repairman."

The workshop will be carried on from 524 John Street until Mr. Davis finds a suitable downtown location for his radio service shop.

Small, Big Holders Increase Holdings Forest Probe Hears

Evidence that the very small and very large holders of privately-owned timberlands had increased their acreage while the middle holders had decreased, during the period 1938 to 1944, was presented to Chief Justice Gordon McG. Sloan, royal commissioner, at the forest inquiry Friday afternoon.

Murdo MacKenzie, research assistant, Bureau of Economics and Statistics, presented a brief on the timberland held by individuals and firms under the principal forms of timber tenure in the province in 1938 and 1944.

Of 4,936,325 acres of privately-held timberlands in 1944, representing roughly one-quarter of the merchantable forest land in the province, 51.7 per cent of the area was held by 58 individuals or firms, or 2 per cent of the total number of holders, he said. The remaining 48.3 per cent of the area was held by 2,819 individuals or firms, or 98 per cent of the total number of holders.

In 1938, of 5,054,587 acres of privately-held timberland, 88 per cent was held by 69 firms or individuals, or 2 per cent of the total number of holders. The remaining 12 per cent was held by 3,362 holders or 98 per cent of the total number of holders.

"Since 1938 there has been an increase in the holdings of owners who hold 25,000 acres or less, each, and an increase in the holdings of owners who hold more than 175,000 acres each, with the holders in between having decreased," queried H. W. Davey, counsel for the commission.

"The evidence would seem to indicate that," Mr. MacKenzie replied.

E. G. Rowbottom, Deputy Minister of the Department of Trade and Industry, presented a brief on timber trade extension activities.

The work was successful, he said, and felt that it was now time to renew the program curtailed and later suspended owing to the war.

George X. Miller, secretary manager of the Canadian Forestry Association of British Columbia, presented a brief on the work of the association Thursday and outlined activities carried on for fire prevention.

Maj. Rowland Horsey Gets Coveted D.S.O.



Maj. Rowland McC. Horsey, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Horsey, 1025 Joan Crescent, has been awarded the Distinguished Service Order for distinguished service on the Italian front, according to word received by his wife and parents here. Mrs. Horsey and their young son, Michael, reside with her parents-in-law.

Citation covering the award is not immediately available.

City Fire Wardens Favor Protection

It was recommended by city fire wardens to the City Council that it enter into an agreement with Esquimalt to provide services of the city fire department for the protection of the match factory planned in Esquimalt, Ald. H. M. Diggon, chairman, said following a meeting Friday afternoon.

The agreement proposed is on the basis of the services of a pumper costing \$250 for the first hour, and \$125 for each succeeding hour.

The recommendation of Fire Chief Alex. Munroe, is that Esquimalt would also be charged \$20 for the first hour and \$10 for each succeeding hour for services of a staff officer if required. Charges for an apparatus officer would be \$4 for the first hour and \$3 thereafter, and for firemen, \$3 and \$2.

These services would be supplied at all times, except in rare instances when all equipment might be needed in the city.

4 Victorians Freed In Philippines

Confirmation from the Department of External Affairs of the release of three Victoria women from the San Tomas internment camp, near Manila, and from the United States War Department of the release of one Victoria man from the same camp, brought happiness to three families here this morning.

It was the first news Mrs. William Mahon of Craig Orchards, Royal Oak, Victoria, has had of her daughter, Mrs. Frances Costain, since she was interned. She has had no word yet of her son-in-law, Ernest Costain, who was employed in China before being interned. Mr. and Mrs. Costain's son and daughter reside in England.

"I am very happy to get the news," Mrs. Mahon said.

"I have another son, Charles Mahon, who, with his wife and three children, are in an internment camp in Japan. I heard from him last year and he said they were all well. He was employed in China for many years."

George Blundell of Oak Bay Beach Hotel received a wire today from the Secretary of State which informed him that his daughter, Mrs. Elsie Harrington, was liberated in the Philippines and that her health was fair.

"Further information regarding welfare and repatriation will be sent you when received. There are no facilities yet for communication," the wire read.

Mrs. Dorothy E. Main, daughter of Mrs. Harrington, was listed as released by the Department of External Affairs announcement.

Mr. Blundell has had no word yet of Mrs. Main's husband.

Mrs. Wolfe Ismond of 1272 Camrose Avenue received word today that her husband was one of the civilians liberated from Japanese prison camps in the Philippines. Mrs. Ismond has three children at home while the fourth is serving with the United States Navy in the south Pacific.

First word of Mr. Ismond's release came through the director of press relations of the general conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Washington, D.C.

Yank Tanks, Men Inching Forward Against Two Japs

GUAM (AP) — Backed by a terrific bombardment from heavy artillery, aircraft and naval guns of fleet units standing offshore, marine on two Island opened today their most concentrated attack of the six-day battle, but were only inching forward against virtually unyielding enemy opposition.

The tank-supported attack was launched from the southwestern tip of the airdrome in the morning and by noon was making slow progress, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz reported.

Resistance from Japanese artillery, small arms and automatic weapons made every inch of ground gained a bitter, costly affair.

The marines appeared, however, to have reached the turning point in their conquest of the island, having taken Mount Suribachi at the southern end of the island, and now being engaged in mopping-up operations against remnants of the garrison at that one-time enemy stronghold. Conditions on the beaches are generally improving and unloading of cargo is proceeding.

700 KILLED SO FAR

At the island's south tip, after scaling Mount Suribachi to secure their rear, the marines systematically dug out Japanese from pillboxes and blockhouses extending even inside the crater of the volcano. More than 700 already have been killed.

Approve Clean-up Of Chinese Premises

Approval of the renovation work being done in Chinatown was expressed by Ald. Dr. J. D. Hunter, chairman of the health committee, after he inspected the work completed Friday afternoon. He was accompanied by Thomas Lancaster, city sanitary inspector, and Elwood Gropp, assistant inspector. Dr. Hunter said "the health department deserves a lot of credit for the work. It will be all right if we can get all Chinatown in the condition of the newly-renovated buildings."

Legislative Notes

W. J. Asseltine, Liberal Coalition member for Atlin, who is in British Guiana on a mining project, will be granted leave of absence from attending the present session. A special resolution of the House to be moved by Premier Hart will be required to do this. Otherwise Mr. Asseltine would automatically cease to be a member of the House. Notice



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Robinson Scores Win Over Lamotta

NEW YORK (AP)—Ray (Sugar) Robinson, "uncrowned king of the welterweights," absorbed everything Jake Lamotta threw at him at Madison Square Garden Friday night, and went on to gain a unanimous 10-round decision over the Bronx battler.

In beating Lamotta for the third time in their four meetings and increasing his record to 54 victories in 55 bouts, Robinson boxed rings around the only man to hold a decision over him.

Except for the sixth round, when Lamotta backed him into a corner and rocked him with lefts and rights to the head, Robinson jabbed Jake at will, as well as landing counter uppercuts.

Referee Eddie Josephs voted Robinson six rounds to four for Lamotta, Judge Bill Nealey called it six, three and one even, while Judge Jack Gordon gave Robinson seven, Lamotta one and called two even.

McSpaden Uncorks 64 in Florida Golf

PENSACOLA, Fla. (AP)—Harold (Jug) McSpaden set a sizzling pace for the traveling professional golfers Friday by shooting a course record-tying eight under par 64 in the initial round of the \$6,500 Pensacola open war bond tournament.

Sammy Sneed, the Hot Springs, Va., slammer, was three strokes off the pace with a five under par 67.

Sgt. E. J. (Dutch) Harrison, Little Rock, Ark., who made the last nine in a six under par 30, had a 68 for the day. He was grouped at four under par with Sam Byrd, Detroit, Mich.; Henry Picard, Harrisburg, Pa., and Jimmy Gaunt, Ardmore, Okla.

BOSTON (CP)—The Massachusetts state boxing commission today announced the reinstatement of Jerry Berthiaume, light heavyweight, of Montreal. Three other boxers were reinstated and seven suspended indefinitely.

Geo. Formby Stars In Navy Picture

The vast number of cinema-goers who enjoyed George Formby in "Get Cracking," will most certainly flock to see him enliven the lads in the navy in his latest picture for Columbia, "Bell-bottom George," which comes to the Oak Bay and Plaza Theatres Monday.

George's efforts to join the navy supply the main theme of the picture, which is rich in material for his particular talents. Many of the incidents in the film are based on yarns which George heard among the sailors he met when he toured Scapa Flow and north Scotland recently to entertain the boys, and many a tar will be tickled and surprised to see his adventures in the picture.

Catchy musical numbers are an essential part of all Formby films, and in "Bell-bottom George" there are four specially written songs for George and his uke.

Brilliant Singing Of Carmen Heard By San Carlo Group

By AUDREY ST. D. JOHNSON

Several curtain calls, despite the lateness of the hour, and generous applause throughout the evening testified to the enthusiasm of the capacity audience for the San Carlo Opera Company's presentation of Bizet's opera "Carmen" at the Royal Victoria Theatre Friday night.

One of the most melodic of the grand operas, its lively, passionate airs are familiar to all music-lovers. Particularly well loved, the Habanera, which occurs early in the first act, immediately established Margery Mayer, in the role of the fickle gypsy, Carmen, as the possessor of a rich, musical contralto voice, and as a competent actress. Her duets with Don Jose in the first and second acts particularly were beautifully handled, both from a dramatic and musical viewpoint.

Micaela, sung by Mary Henderson, made effective use of a clear, full soprano in her two scenes. She has a good range, with firm, round tones and a pleasing and sympathetic stage presence.

Tandy Mackenzie as Don Jose, who gives up all for love of Carmen, thrilled his audience with his tenderly beautiful performance of the "Flower Song." Carlo Morelli's Toreador lacked an adequate spore of bravo, but was vocally competent. There was some nice ensemble singing, especially between Carmen, Frasquita and Mercedes, whose lovely voices blended extremely well.

The Card Scene was one of the evening's best moments.

The opening choruses lacked verve and sparkle but improved as the opera progressed, although the movement was never quite satisfactory. The best curtain came at the end of the 3rd act, when Don Jose disarms Carmen after she has drawn her dagger on him.

In the Cape Dance, premiere danseur, Lucien Pradeaux gave a spectacular performance and was followed by Lydia Arlova, premiere danseuse, whose Flower Vendor was entirely charming. The final bacchanalian Florentine was beautifully costumed, vivid and breath-catching.

"La Traviata" will be the presentation tonight, with curtain at 8.30.

Colman, Dietrich Stars of 'Kismet'

When "Kismet," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's Ronald Colman starring picture in technicolor, comes Monday to the Capitol Theatre, was being filmed, Director William Dieterle made certain that no offence will be given to millions of picture fans in Moslem countries, where even the color of a man's turban may cause a riot.

Dieterle had all esoteric phases, touching on conglomerate religious customs and habits, checked by Victor Stoloff, who spent his life among the Arabs, and in the Orient.

"Several years ago," Stoloff recalled, "picture fans in a Cairo theatre virtually took the place apart when there flashed on the screen, in a color picture, a rascally character wearing a turban of solid green, the color reserved for the only true descendants of the Prophet." All turban colors, if solid, have special significances.

Sunday Midnight Matinee for Rio

Mystery and suspense pervade the screen's newest shiver-picture, "The Seventh Victim," which presents Tom Conway, Jean Brooks and the sensational new actress, Kim Hunter, in a stirring tale of demonism in New York City, is coming to the Rio Sunday midnight.

Following the strange disappearance of a young and successful business woman, her only relative, a younger sister, leaves school to search for her, and in a series of dramatic adventures, learns that the older woman had joined a cult of devil-worshippers. As punishment for disclosing their secrets to an investigator, she has been condemned to death.

The efforts of the girl and her friends to save her sister from the cult provide a thrill-laden events. Miss Hunter, a new "find" from the Little Theatre field, makes her film debut as the younger sister and Miss Brooks plays the older one, with Conway as a psychiatrist who becomes interested in the case.

Hugh Beaumont, Erford Jewel, Evelyn Brent, Isabel Jewell, Mary Newton and Ben-Bard also have important parts.

'Double Indemnity' Feature at Atlas

"Double Indemnity" is an insurance term which means something like twice your money's worth. Well, Paramount's ace motion picture, "Double Indemnity," directed by Billy Wilder, gives the customer twice his money's worth in pure screen entertainment.

"Double Indemnity," coming Monday to the Atlas Theatre, with Barbara Stanwyck, Fred MacMurray and Edward G. Robinson in the starring roles, brought raves from the audiences after the performance. The story is something new, and deals with a cleverly conceived plot to make an insurance company pay through the nose. In expert fashion, the action unravels as MacMurray confesses his crime at the very outset with a flashback telling the story of the whole sordid business.

CADET THEATRE

The vast panorama of the Indiana horse country... the warm, heady joys of first love... the thrills of thundering hoofs... all are combined for top screen fare in 20th Century-Fox's technicolor triumph, "Home in Indiana," now at the Cadet Theatre. Walter Brennan, Lon McCallister, Jeanne Crain, Charlotte Greenwood, June Haver, Ward Bond and Charles Dingle are featured in the brilliant cast of the film based on the Saturday Evening Post serial, "The Phantom Filly," by George Agnew Chamberlain.

RIO THEATRE

Johnny Mack Brown, one of the screen's most popular western stars, is currently at the Rio Theatre in "The Texas Kid," the Monogram western drama in which he is starred, with Raymond Hatton in his usual spot at the head of the supporting players list. Pretty Shirley Patterson plays the leading feminine part, and the cast also includes Marshall Reed, Robert Fiske, Edmund Cobb, Stanley Price, Lynnton Brent, Bud Osborne, Kermit Maynard, John Judd and Cyrus Ring. Lambert Hillier directed for Producer Scott R. Dunlap.

Where To Go Tonight

(As Advertised)

ATLAS — Bette Davis in "Hollywood Canteen."

CADET — "Home in Indiana," starring Walter Brennan.

CAPITOL — "Our Hearts Were Young and Gay," starring Gail Russell and Diana Lynn.

DOMINION — Dale Evans and Roy Rogers in "Yellow Rose of Texas."

PLAZA — "The Happy Breed."

OAK BAY — "Road to Zanzibar," Bing Crosby and Bob Hope.

RIO — "Bernuda Mystery."

YORK — Susan Peters and Robert Taylor in "Song of Russia."

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Starring Bob Hope, Vera Zorina and Victor Moore, and featuring a first-line supporting cast, including Irene Borden, Dona Drake, Raymond Walburn, Maxie Rosenbloom and the 12 "Louisiana Lovesies," "Louisiana Purchase" turns out to be a film extravaganza just bursting with wonderful music by Irving Berlin, spectacular dances by Zorina, handsome settings aglitter with gorgeous colorings, pageants, and enough comedy and gag situations to wreath your face in a smile every time you remember them—which will probably be often.

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Wounded Men Expected Home



LIEUT. G. J. MICHAUX

Back in Canada after fighting on the Allied fronts in Europe, a large contingent of stretcher cases, walking cases, and other personnel recently arrived at an eastern port. Some of the island men are due here Monday.

Five are Victorians, Lieut. G. J. Michaux, Lieut. D. J. Barker, Tpr. G. W. Cox, Pte. R. Seymour and Pte. R. K. Lambier.

Lieut. Michaux, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Michaux, 528 Trutch Street, suffered a severe wound to his knee during action in Italy last October. Educated at St. Louis College, Victoria College and Sprott-Shaw School, he was on the staff of Thos. Plimley Ltd., before enlistment. Graduated from Gordon Head C.O.T.C. in February, 1943, Lieut. Michaux proceeded overseas shortly after.

Pte. Seymour, 19, P.P.C.L.I., young veteran who has been twice wounded during the fighting in Italy, will be met in Vancouver by his mother, Mrs. L. C. Seymour, 3056 Washington Avenue, who will see her son for the first time in 18 months.

Lieut. Barker's mother, Mrs. Constance E. Barker, lives in Saanich and Tpr. Cox is the grandson of Arthur Cox, Cadboro Bay, whom he will visit during his stay here.

PORTLAND HOCKEY

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP)—Seattle Ironmen took a one-game lead in the Pacific Coast Hockey League, northern division, Tuesday night when they swamped the Vancouver, Wash., Vanguards 10 to 5.

Shorty Coombs had a big night for Seattle, getting four goals.

Legion Resents Gardiner's Remarks

Resentment of recent remarks regarding Maj.-Gen. C. R. Pearkes, V.C., made by Minister of Agriculture J. G. Gardiner, was expressed by Victoria District Council of the Canadian Legion Thursday evening as it recorded "special honor to, and confidence in one of Canada's most distinguished soldiers of this and the 1914-18 war."

Copies of the resolution, sent to Mr. Gardiner and Gen. Pearkes, read: "The Canadian Legion pays honor and tribute to all who honorably serve their country in time of war."

The council made a request for a new veteran nominee to the citizens' rehabilitation committee, each veteran to come from the Britannia, Pro Patria, and Naval Veterans branches of the Canadian Legion.

A further request asked the Dominion Command to take up the question of dissatisfaction in connection with gratuities.

Major C. Fallis was nominated as council representative of the advisory committee of the Emergency Shelter Administration, and W. C. Hudson was nominated as council representative on the Queen Alexandra Solarium Board.

All-Canadian Ship Trade Advocated

Labor section of the labor-management committee of Victoria Machinery Depot, under chairmanship of William White, is asking the government to restrict coastal and inland waters trade of Canada to vessels now registered in Canada and manned by Canadian crews.

This resolution, the committee hopes, will be considered at the Labor Forum here tomorrow. A further resolution asks that all Canadian naval vessels in the future should be built in Canada and that the government give consideration, as part of its post-war planning, to replacement of obsolete Canadian government vessels by new vessels built in Canada. Another resolution asks that there be no profits in the shipbuilding industry until a committee of citizens is consulted.

The labor committee is seeking co-operation of all trades unions in Victoria, city and municipal councils, the provincial government and members of the Legislature in bringing the attention of these matters to the Dominion government.

Today's Crossword Puzzle

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(Answer to previous puzzle)

FACTS

1. Vehicle

2. Narrow inlet

3. Bear

4. Devilish

5. Symbol for selenium

6. Gruffled (verb)

7. Transpose (verb)

8. Definitive

9. Portuguese money of account

10. Abstract being

11. Back (verb)

12. Symbol for calcium

13. O.C.'s name

14. Alleged force

15. Universal language

16. Sound in Washington

17. Female horse

18. Mountain pass

19. Scottish sheepfold

20. Rocks

21. Famous show

22. Cattle measure

23. Hebrew letter

24. Mail box

25. We

26. Portico

27. Disfigurement

28. Type of boat

29. Native of (verb)

30. Nova Scotia (verb)

31. One (verb)

32. Hagia Professor

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Freckles and His Friends



Alley Oop



Herring Catch Up

A statement issued by the Supervisor of Fisheries, Vancouver, lists the west coast herring catch

for the 1944-45 season

taken up to last Feb. 17, as more than 104,633 tons, of which 599,674 gallons resulted when a portion of the catch was reduced to oil. Cases

canned equalled 1,196,230, a small margin over last season's canned herring figures.

Though fresh herrings are sold in the markets, the main use of the fish lies in feed and oil products. This season's catch being divided into 7,839 tons of herring meal, 1,870 tons of offal meal, and 310,218 gallons of herring oil, as well as 3,363 tons used by fishermen as bait.

